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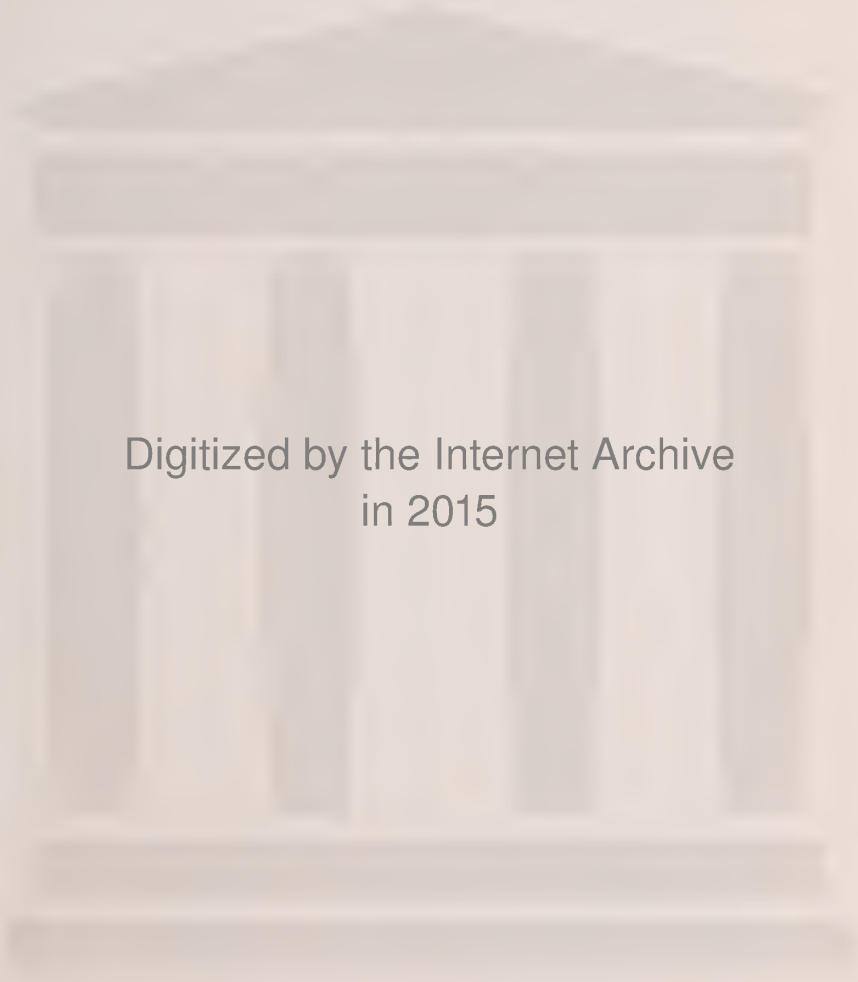

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY! As we go to press, the head of the column is just emerging, carpet-bag in hand, from the various railway stations of the city.

THE Annual All-day Woman's Meetings, in connection with General Assembly, will be held in the Madison Square Church (Dr. Parkhurst's). That *in behalf of Foreign Missions* occurs on May 23d. The meeting *in behalf of Home Missions* occurs on May 24th. This notice is in time to meet the eye of some in the vicinity of New York who have not yet determined upon attendance, but who, it is hoped, may hereby be prompted to it. Reports of the meetings will appear, but that is not half so good as coming and hearing for yourself.

AMONG the missionaries we may expect to see at our meeting on May 23, are Mrs. Labaree and Miss Holliday, of Persia, Mrs. Hepburn, who has just arrived from Japan, Mrs. Chas. Newton and Mrs. Ferris fresh from India, Mrs. Caldwell, of Bogota, and Miss Everett, from Syria. Some of these ladies have not been in this country for many years, and others are rarely in this part of the United States, so that this opportunity will be one of uncommon privilege.

A WOMAN'S prayer-meeting will be held in the Madison Square Church, at 9.30 every morning, from May 20 to May 25, inclusive, under the auspices, alternately, of the Home and Foreign Missions Boards. Let every one come who can, and every one come to help.

FOR the first time a Nez Perce Indian delegate will sit in General Assembly. He is from the Kamiah Church, Idaho, which has a membership of 271.

MISS THOMAS, of Brazil, has promptly followed her letter (see another page) and arrived with Miss Effie Lenington in New York, May 5. Their addresses are respectively, Wilkesbarre, Pa., and Jacksonville, Ill.

IT will excite universal pain among our readers to know that Mrs. Annie Ellers Bunker is remanded home from Korea, by a seriously impaired condition of health. Mrs. Bunker, though not nominally connected with our Board since her marriage, is always ours. Mr. Bunker was teacher in the Government school.

WE cannot publish any *anonymous* contributions, therefore, if the lady who sent us such an one, recently, will kindly communicate her name, the information shall be held as confidential as she wishes.

KEEP up with the times, friends! Some of our correspondents continue to address us at Centre Street, which we left a year and a half ago. And, then again, unless you are trying to see how many steps these faithful Grey-coats will take, or how much strain the post-office department will bear, *don't* address us at the "Presbyterian House" (a name not in the directory), nor at the "Lenox" (an apartment house), but exactly as directed on the fourth page of the cover of this magazine.

NONE of our missionaries have been touched with yellow fever, but six members of the Methodist Mission at Rio de Janeiro had light attacks, and a lady of the Baptist Mission has died. The superior healthfulness of Sao Paulo is appreciated whenever an epidemic threatens the tropical coast of Brazil.

ONE of President Harrison's appointments equally concerns and gratifies all of us. He has made Rev. Daniel Dorchester, of Boston, a man whose fitness of character is unquestioned, Superintendent of all the Government Indian schools. There are 233 of them with 40,000 pupils.

A PARTY of Siamese gentlemen are on their way through Europe and America, around the world. The oldest of them is at the head of the Siamese navy, and his son, who spent twelve years in Edinburgh, is said to speak English elegantly.

OUR two girls' boarding-schools in Tokyo, of which we are so proud, Bancho and Graham Seminary, have found a way to increase the usefulness of both, viz., *by union*. Details of the plan are yet to be perfected. The chief advantage of all, in the eyes of the mission, to be gained by thus uniting, is economy of the teaching force. By this plan several ladies may be set free from school cares to devote themselves to the pressing claims of evangelistic work. Takata is an example of what our teachers may do if they only have the chance.

OUR ladies in Hamadan, Persia, started a prayer-meeting in January, for Jewish women, to be held in their own houses. One encouragement to do this was the fact that some of them while making a call at Mrs. Hawkes' home had asked her to pray with them.

ONE of our missionaries writes: A Kurd, who has become a Christian, wished to go to one of our churches in Hamadan. As he did not know in what part of the city the church was, he started to follow an Armenian, who, he supposed, would be going there. After a few minutes the latter turned to him and asked him to come to his house and take some brandy. The Kurd replied: "May your neck be broken. I followed you expecting to find the house of God, and you ask me to drink brandy."

THE scourge of drink is terrible in South Africa. The traveler from Cape Town to Kimberley by rail may see a broken brandy bottle on an average every twenty-five yards. Brandy is 3d. a bottle, and a man can get drunk for a halfpenny. It is said that 500 natives are picked up dead in Kimberley every year, slain through drink. —*The Christian.*

A DISTILLERY just out of Boston has a contract to make 3,000 gallons of rum a day for seven years, to supply an English firm which will ship the poison to the Congo.

AN interesting series of articles upon languages of the West Coast of Africa is appearing from month to month in the *Lutheran Missionary Journal*. The writer, Mr. Day, of their Muhlenberg Mission, says that coast tribes count beginning with the left hand. Bending their fingers to the hand, beginning with the little finger, some of them count, "bend little, bend little-big, bend big, bend big-little," and for the thumb, "dat live by heself." Next, they count upon the right hand, then, their toes, and when they come to twenty, it is "one person done." Forty is "two persons done," and so on.

The following specimens of the Vey tongue are given. An umbrella is a sun-ketch or rain-ketch; captain is a canoe king; spectacles are look things, and pantaloons, leg cloth. Thunder is "sky talk," a man who tells what gets him into trouble has "spoiled his mouth," goods that have been stolen have "gotten feet," and marriage is a "hot water concern," because one of a wife's principal duties is to warm water for her husband's evening bath.

ONE of our ladies writes of visiting the new Congregational Church in Osaka. It was built entirely by Japanese (with the exception of what the missionaries contributed), and cost about $6,000; will hold 1,000 people. The women sit on one side, the men on the other. The floors are matted, the seats have a shelf underneath for the people to put their wooden shoes on, as they take them off at the door and bring them in their hands. The walls are yellow-washed; on each side of the pulpit was a square stand on which was a large vase of flowers. Two large Japanese flags were crossed over and in front of the pulpit, and on one side was an organ played by a Japanese girl; the preacher also was Japanese. The Sunday-school numbered 500.

OUR Canadian brethren call loudly for single ladies for Honan, China. They want two at each station, of whom one must have some training in medicine.

WHEN the little boys in the orphanage at Seoul are sick, the older ones write explanatory notes to Dr. Heron. One wrote that a boy had sores on his leg "which intensely bite as pepper."

THE C. M. S. held a missionary loan exhibition at Kensington, London, for three days in April. They had courts for different countries, and missionaries to explain the curios, and hoped to increase a practical interest in missions, besides realizing the substantial sum of £1,100, taken at the doors and stalls.

OUR MISSIONARIES IN AFRICA,

AND POST OFFICE ADDRESSES.

All letters for the Gaboon and Corisco Missions should be addressed GABOON, WEST AFRICA.

Mrs. C. De Heer,	Benita (absent on furlough).	Mrs. T. Spencer Ogden,	Angom.
Mrs. Louise Reutlinger,	" " "	Mrs. A. C. Good,	Kangwe.
Mrs. B. B. Brier,	Gaboon (*en route.*)	Miss Mary Harding,	Kangwe (about returning to America).
Mrs. Arthur W. Marling,	Angom.	Miss Isabella A. Nassau,	Talaguga.

In this Country: Mrs. W. C. Gault, Fernwood, Jefferson County, Ohio.

A SAUNTER ACROSS THE MAP OF AFRICA.

ON PURPOSE FOR THE YOUNG PEOPLE WHO LIKE TO READ ABOUT THE DARK CONTINENT.

SUPPOSE we begin with the part we have heard of the longest, at the northeast corner, and drop down the Red Sea with our faces toward the Nile. All eyes on the map! It will hardly do to take them off a moment.

Across there at Khartum it seems as if we might see the name of Gordon crowned with stars and hanging suspended over the city where he was betrayed. This is where the White Nile and Blue Nile meet, and all this region south from Egypt to the equator and west to Darfur (please find it) is that Soudan, or "Land of the Blacks," where Gordon was Governor-General long before the Khartum time. Here he broke up a great many slave camps. He used to take his corn, flour, and rice, and dried apricots, and ride on his camels with only a single attendant for a retinue, from one seat of government to another, appearing before the governors without warning and without giving them time to "fix up" their accounts.

We might just notice Abyssinia in passing, where King John died the other day. Did you ever make a study of the curious, strangled sort of Christianity of Abyssinia? You might find it worth while. It resembles religion in America about as much as a baby in the Orient swathed and mummified and its clothes unchanged for months, resembles one of our free little kickers in an American nursery.

We will cross the peninsula to the East coast, but don't ask any questions about how we get there. This great Galla country is marked on some maps in large letters "unexplored." What the newspapers mean by "Eastern Equatorial Africa" begins on this coast at the equator, and if you could put your finger on the Tana River, which doesn't appear in the map but empties into the ocean a few degrees south of the equator, and draw a bias line northwest from it to Masailand, and then due-west to Rubaga, you have the northern boundary of what they call the "British sphere of influence." You know that England, though she doesn't seem to have any conscience about opium, is very sensitive to the wickedness of the slave trade, and that she is so is a grand thing for Africa and for the world. One good way to stop the slave trade is to watch the ports and not let the slaves get to market, and that is what England is doing here. Mombasa you might call her base and Uganda, to the northwest of the great Victoria Nyanza, is the other extreme of her "influence." Here is where the Arabs have lately overturned Mwanga's throne and robbed Europeans and burned their mission-houses. They have spoiled the vine and trampled on the tender grapes for to-day; but never fear! They have not killed the roots. Remember those martyr boys who sang praises in the fire. Men like Mackay and Ashe of the Church Missionary Society have translated and taught the gospel in this kingdom and many believers are for the present in hiding, and who knows but this is the way that Mwanga is to be brought to repentance for the murder of Hannington?

It is north of the Albert Nyanza (look it out) that Emin Bey has been shut up, whom our Henry M. Stanley was sent to rescue. If you haven't read "The White Pasha," in the *St. Nicholas* for last February, you can't think how interesting it is, and how plain it makes everything about Stanley and Emin; only there is more to know since that was written, because Mr. Stanley's letters have come.

South of the British lies the "German sphere of influence." Find Pemba Island and draw a line from it parallel to the one you drew from the Tana. That marks the beginning; you will learn its extent by glancing down the coast till you find the Rovuma River near Cape Delgado. This marks the treaty boundary between the German and Portuguese possessions. There isn't much to hope for from the Portuguese in Africa, but there ought to be from Prot-

estant Germans; and yet it is just here that trouble arose. Because the Germans were severe with the simple black men and inexperienced in managing savage races, rebellion was excited; great numbers of African Christians were slain and some missionaries; the white man has gotten a bad name; the Arabs are emboldened; all progress is set backward; and it looked for one while as if the whole territory was going to be handed over to the slave-dealers by money-loving adventurers, while they all went to sleep at Berlin. For, back from the coast into the great Interior of the Continent, from the equator to 15° of latitude south (as well as from 5° north, to the Mediterranean), is the vast hunting-ground of the man-stealer. He has taken advantage of every new path opened inland by the explorer, to forward his guilty traffic, so that every track for thousands of miles has been a track of blood.

And yet, over there at Ujiji it was, on Lake Tanganyika, that Stanley found him who first and most of any waked up England to resist this crime against humanity. To the south, on Bangweolo, is the spot where he died. Did you know that not only David Livingstone, but two other African missionary explorers, died upon their knees? George Schmidt was one, and brave John Krapf was the other, in his old age, after he had gone back to his Wurtemberg home.

Within the Portuguese territory, the Zambesi and Shiré rivers connect with Lake Nyassa, and fateful, fever rivers they have been to the Briton. At Livingstonia, on the west bank of the Shiré, it was, that Mr. Drummond found that empty manse and blacksmith's shop and school, and the silent, low, green tents which told the story of the pioneers. Look upon another page of this magazine to see what a pretty flower his chivalrous hand dropped upon a woman's grave in the Zambesi valley.

East of Nyassa is the Universities' Mission; west of it Blantyre, of the Established Church of Scotland; and that well-known Mission planted by the Free Church.

South Africa is far from being wholly converted to God, but the banner of Christ has been set up here by many hands. The American Board holds Inhambane on the east, and down in Zululand is written a great chapter of her history. Here she has churches and Zulu pastors and schools, and the ripe fruits of forty years of devoted toil. English and Scotch Christians have remembered the Kaffirs, the Wesleyans flourish like a green bay tree in Bechuanaland, and Kuruman, Griqua, Namaqua all have a heritage in Moffat. The diamond fields are in Orange Free State, and that means disorder; but Great Britain has a responsible government in Cape Colony and exercises a political influence, stronger in some sections than in others, all the way up to the 20th parallel.

On the West coast, the Cunene or Nourse River, at about 18° south, is the southern boundary of another long stretch of Portuguese authority. Here the American Board has another growing mission, in which Canada brethren share.

From this we are brought to the Congo, and the very word Congo is enough to stagger one's pen, as its cataracts have staggered men. Itself, the second largest river in the world; its great Free State with forty-two millions of people who know no more how to read than you did at six months old, and the bold line of mission stations from its mouth away up to Equatorville, deserve more than a passing mention. American and English Baptists are here and the newest tribe to be approached with the Gospel is the Balolo, so fine a people that perhaps you would like a whole story about them sometime.

Notice all the red lines on the map, but notice especially that one which makes a triangle of the Gaboon region. It is the fashion to call this the French Congo now. Our Church has not taken a large share in Africa yet, but we have a foothold, and brethren of our own communion have met these "fierce cannibals" face to face, and preached the Gospel to them, and we recall how one of our own ladies, single-handed rescued a lad from their grasp. The Basel Mission is at Cameroons, and the Church Missionary Society again, in all the Niger and Yoruba country. Liberia is unique, the only colonizing scheme that America ever undertook.

The whole North coast of Africa from Tangier to Cairo is Mohammedan, and few are the witnesses for Jesus there, though Egypt is somewhat liberal, and the United Presbyterians have both sowed and reaped along the Nile.

As the East and North coasts are specially cursed with the slave-mart, so the horrible drink traffic, "the devil's missionary enterprise," as Mr. Guinness calls it, rages worst upon the South and Western shores. They say the shelly beach at many a landing is hidden by the glass of broken gin-bottles, and that weak tribes are dying out, ex-

hausted by alcohol. In this last cruelty of civilization toward the ignorant and weak, shame to us that America has a large share!

Looking upon Africa as a whole, the *first* thing to fix attention is this: the interior of the continent is practically untouched, while the lines where civilization and Christianity have pierced the outer edges are only like narrow embrasures in a castle wall. Little do we know of that great Interior with its gorillas and chattering chimpanzees, and its crocodile and hippopotamus in the water ready to upset the white man's boat; of its high plateaus and lonely mimosa forests, and tropic storms sweeping over; of its areas where poisonous exhalations rise from earth never subdued by hoe and plow; its jungles of matted vines where venomous creeping things mimic the leaves and tree-stems; its elephant tusks and palm-oil and rubber and monkey-skins that tempt the trader; where, instead of money, they use glass beads and copper wire and cotton cloths, and a gun is the envy of kings. But we do know that in Africa there

live uncounted men whom God has made to glorify Himself, and it is true of all of them what King Mtesa told Stanley of himself: "I am like a man sitting in darkness or born blind."

The *second* striking impression suggested by a map of all Africa is, that this is a country of the future, like your lives, young people. Some of the questions about it to be answered in the future are, What will European governments do in Africa? and, What will Christians do for Africa?

Did you hear of the young fellow who stuck a yellow rose in his buttonhole and dropped himself into the reservoir in Central Park, the other day, because life was "too hard" on $1,200 a year? Oh, it wasn't manly enough for *girls!* Boys, what do you say? Wouldn't you rather be a Gordon, dying in the siege of Khartum? Wouldn't you think it more manly, not to say more Christian, to band with good men and work hard to save little children from the slave-gang, and fathers and mothers from the gin-bottle? Wouldn't you rather be a hard-working missionary going up some great African river and following the Saviour's example of "teaching in all the villages and healing the sick?" So, many others have thought before, and so, young Mr. Brier and his wife think, our new missionaries who just sailed for the Gaboon Mission on the 4th of May. Shall we not remember them this month, while they are on their long journey, and next month, when they arrive, and all the months after, while they work and pray?

Who, next, for Africa?

PARTING FROM OUR PEOPLE.

[The writer, with her husband and Mrs. Reutlinger, left Benita, West Africa, last summer, for a necessary furlough.]

We can hardly tell you how trying it was to leave our people, the more as there was no one to take the place thus vacated and we felt how sorely we should be missed, especially by the weak and sick among them who had been our special care. It was ours to carry them not only spiritual succor, but Mrs. Reutlinger with her skillful hand was always ready to administer bodily help, never hesitating to dress the most loathsome ulcers, and when the poor souls asked, almost broken-hearted, "Who will care for us now?" we could only answer, "who?"

But just when man is in despair blessed faith comes to the rescue, and we remember One who cares for all His suffering ones, and is all-powerful to help. I recall a story of the Emperor Frederick, then Crown Prince. At the close of a hot summer day he came to his quarters, and entering quietly found his assistant in a sound sleep; beside him lay a letter commenced but not completed. The Prince took the letter and read: "Dear Mother, I have been advanced to the position of second-lieutenant and must have a new uniform, but where is the money? If I borrow it I shall be in debt, and who will pay my debt—who?" Just at this interrogation point the writing ended. The Prince took the pen, and after the interrogative "who?" wrote the words, "Frederick William, Crown Prince." The officer awoke, read with astonishment the close of his epistle, ordered the needed uniform, and the Prince settled the account.

We had come to a pressing time of need in the work the Master had given us to do. We were asking with anxious hearts, Who will care for these—who? And then comes, not the Crown Prince, but the King of Kings, with the crown already on His head! He takes the pen and dips it, not in ink, but in His own precious blood, and writes His holy name "I," after the interrogative, after the "who?" I, the Saviour of the heathen, I will care for these who have been redeemed through my blood, and not one of them shall perish! Thus our hearts became quiet before Him, and He gave us strength for the parting. Together on the beach we sang, "Say, brothers, will you meet us?" And the response came, albeit with trembling voice, "By the grace of God we'll meet you, on Canaan's happy shore."

We know that dear friends join us in earnest prayer for them, and that God will raise up those who will be glad to go and minister to just such "In His name."

We are enjoying all the pleasures which a Christian land affords, with dear Mrs. Reutlinger in her beloved Swiss home, among relatives and friends, warm-hearted friends of Africa, of which there are a great number in this old city, the headquarters of the Basel Mission which is doing so much for the spread of the Gospel. This spring, if all is well, we hope to come on to America, and meet again those from whom we have been separated more than eight years. *R. H. De Heer.*

FÂNGWE CANNIBALS.

[We are very much indebted to our correspondent for photographs, from one of which (with the photographer's humorous mark on the back of it) the accompanying cut was made. It was the work of nearly a whole forenoon to catch a negative of this wild pair.]

I have tried repeatedly to get a picture of the cannibal women who bring firewood to Gaboon for sale, but was uniformly unsuccessful. A few days ago a party came — one woman, one man, and two boys — and I resolved to make a determined effort this time. I made quite an address to them, setting forth the fact that I was their friend, and, bringing out a long bar of soap, I told them I would present it to them and buy their firewood besides, only asking a small favor in return, which they could easily grant. I then wrote a hurried note to the artist and sent them off in charge of one of the elders of our Church who speaks their language.

It was not long before they were back as cross as could be, the man wanting to fight. It appears that when the photographer pointed the camera at them they thought it was a gun! After a great deal of coaxing he got them in range again, but as soon as ever he would look into the instrument they would shift their position. Then he got the woman to stand a little by herself, and holding up a large album, attempted to attract her attention. The album frightened her and she would not stand still. Two plates were spoiled, but the artist tried again. This time, just as he took the cap from the lens, she raised her foot to scratch her toe! All parties were now thoroughly vexed, and they had forsaken the photographer and come back upon me.

F. W. JOAQUE, PHOTOGRAPHER. GABOON.

I soothed them as well as I could with more soap and soft words and sent them back again. The woman was tired of carrying the wood around and holding it on her back, so she set it on the ground. One of the boys was placed beside her, the artist's assistant on the other side. Some one struck up a tune on an accordion, and before they knew it, the deed was done. The result you see. They all came back to me, and the man made me a

long speech, saying, they did not know whether this thing that had happened to them was a good spirit or a bad one, but of this they were sure, they were going to die. This thought made their hearts "stand straight up," and nothing short of a dress for the woman would cause them to lie down again. I was not in very good humor myself, for I wanted her taken with the wood on her back, so I sent them away without the dress.

Joseph H. Reading.

It is said that the Scriptures have been translated in whole or in part into sixty-six of the dialects of Africa, while the whole Bible has been rendered into eleven languages, spoken by multitudes.

In these days American homes are full of pretty things, and it must be hard for those who have lived in luxury all their lives to realize how many people in the world live in houses destitute of even what, among us, would be considered bare necessities. We can find many such houses in a walk through the towns at Benita, on the west coast of Africa.

They are built of bamboo, with clay floors and roofs thatched with bamboo leaves. A wood fire is made upon the floor. There is no chimney, so the smoke escapes as it can, through crevices and doors, and in time leaves a black, shining deposit on roof and walls. Over the fire is a swinging shelf made of strips of bamboo, on which fish, corn, peppers, etc., are placed to dry.

There are usually two or three stationary bedsteads in the room, made by driving four forked posts into the ground, on which a frame-work is laid, and on the frame is placed a cover, made by tying narrow strips of bamboo together, side by side. These beds, a box, and a low stool or two serve as seats. The house may afford a pot, a water-jug, and a few plates, a spoon or two, and a drinking-cup. The latter may be an empty fruit-can from the mission or some trading-house.

Can you imagine how the mistress can supply the wants of a family from such a scantily furnished apartment? Suppose she is about to prepare the dinner. If her meal is to consist of boiled plantains and fish, she will, if so fortunate as to have both an iron pot and a brass kettle, put the fish into the one, with water, and place it on the fire. To prepare the green plantains (which belong to the same genus with bananas) she will take a piece of the leaf, place it in the brass kettle, and, taking off the rind, put the plantains, whole, upon the leaf, pour on a little water, cover them rather closely with another piece of leaf, and leave it also on the fire until cooked.

In order to season the fish she will probably go to a bush near by and gather fresh peppers, or take those tied up in a piece of dried leaf, and lying on the shelf. She will place the peppers and salt on a piece of board or a flat stone and roll them with a smooth, round stone till well mixed. When the fish is seasoned, the two or three plates are brought and fish and plantain placed on each, and the meal is ready. If there are more persons than plates, two may eat from the same one, or the family may not all eat at one time.

A common attitude which the people in that part of Africa take at meals is to sit on a low seat, with the plate placed on the floor in front of them, or sometimes on a box. Not until the food is eaten is the cup brought into use, and not only do they drink from it, but each person goes through a performance, which partly accounts for the whiteness and soundness of African teeth. He takes water into his mouth, and by a peculiar contracting and relaxing of the muscles of the cheeks the mouth is thoroughly rinsed.

The housewifely duties after the meal are not very heavy. Plates and spoons may be set away in a corner, where they remain unwashed until just before the next meal; or, if the town is near the sea, a child may be sent to wash them there.

In the absence of dishes the plantain leaf is made to supply many needs in the culinary department. A good-sized leaf is about one foot and a half wide and seven feet long. Fish can be cooked by tying them inside several thicknesses of the leaf, and placing the bundle on hot ashes. A piece of a leaf can be used for a plate; by deftly folding it, a smaller piece can be made into a drinking-cup, and a still smaller piece into a spoon.

The women have duties other than house-work, such as cultivating the gardens and bringing wood and water. One very important part of their work is making cassava puddings from the roots of the cassava plant. These are cut in the gardens, carried to a stream of water, and allowed to remain soaking there for three or four days, until a bitterness is soaked out. Then they are carried to the town and the white inner part is pounded in a wooden trough into a pulp. This pulp is tied up in leaves into slender rolls more than a foot long and about two inches in diameter, and boiled. These puddings, with fish, make one of their favorite meals.

The majority of the people have neither bed linen, table linen, nor towels, and the wardrobe of the whole family may consist of not more than one dozen pieces; hence the washings are very light.

THE OLD AND NEW STYLE OF BUILDING AT GABOON.

An article to be washed is usually taken to a stream, and by pressing it on a stone or a bit of board, or rubbing it in the hands, probably without soap, is washed, wrung out, and spread out either on the grass or weeds, or on the roof of the house to dry.

Most of the people at Benita still live as their fathers have lived, in houses similar to this described; but a few are building better houses, eating from tables, wearing better clothing, and living in a civilized manner. Even in some of the poorer houses we find kerosene lamps, and when we visit the sick a very common request is for oil, so they can have a light at night.

Many of these people are groping in a worse than physical darkness. Would that they might all realize how great their spiritual darkness is, and their need of Him who is "the light of the world."

Mrs. W. C. Gault.

MR. DRUMMOND'S TRIBUTE TO MARY MOFFAT LIVINGSTONE.

We were to spend that night within a few yards of the place where Mrs. Livingstone died. Late in the afternoon we reached the spot—a low, ruined hut a hundred yards from the river's bank, with a broad veranda shading its crumbling walls. A grass-grown path straggled to the doorway, and the fresh print of a hippopotamus told how neglected the spot is now. Pushing the door open we found ourselves in a long, dark room, its mud floor broken into fragments, and remains of native fires betraying its latest occupants. Turning to the right we entered a smaller chamber, the walls bare and stained, with two glassless windows facing the river. The evening sun, setting over the far-off Morumballa mountains, filled the room with its soft glow and took our thoughts back to that Sunday evening, twenty years ago, when in this same bedroom at this same hour Livingstone knelt over his dying wife and witnessed the great sunset of his life.

Under a huge baobab tree—a miracle of vegetable vitality and luxuriance—stands Mrs. Livingstone's grave. The picture in Livingstone's book represents the place as well-kept and surrounded with neatly planted trees. But now it is an utter wilderness, matted with jungle grass and trodden by the beasts of the forest; and as

I looked at the forsaken mound and contrasted it with her husband's marble tomb in Westminster Abbey, I thought perhaps the woman's love which brought her to a spot like this might be not less worthy of immortality.—*Tropical Africa*, pp. 15, 16.

Mrs. Livingstone's name would send this story around the world, but how many such instances of woman's love and devotion are known to the annals of Missions, though not to fame! In fact, since Mr. Drummond saw this grave, another has been dug beside it at Shupanga, which offers just the same testimony. The *Mission Record* of Scotland gave the facts in its correspondence sometime in 1887.

A little party of Blantyre Missionaries were delayed by a break-down on the Zambesi, and the fever seized them. Among them was a young Perthshire woman, a bride of two months. The fever ran its course in four days and Mrs. M'Ilwain died on her twenty-first birthday, May 29, 1887. She was the second of her parents' daughters who died in the same mission. Scotland has given many such, and is not the family name on many a door-plate in America, as well as Scotland, cut in marble also over some loving woman's grave, in Africa, Asia, or Islands of the Sea? It remains for their kindred and countrymen to see to it that their sacrifice is not in vain.

TEACH US TO PRAY.

Do you hear the old petition of the disciples, "Lord, teach us to pray," echoing from country to country? Miss Newton told us of a woman in Peking who begged to be taught the language of prayer and then prayed "straight on, nearly all night," that she might not forget it. Miss Nassau lately wrote of the joy it gave her to hear an African in one of the river towns ask the unwonted question, How to pray. Dr. Mary Fulton wrote from away up in the unmitigated heathenism of Kwong Sai: "Two old farmers who had walked a long distance came to my brother and asked him to teach them how to pray. They seemed so earnest and grateful." And now the same request from a young African is mentioned by Mr. Thomas W. Roberts, writing from Glimah, in the Corisco Mission. "Of course we are Vei," said the young man, "and do not know how to speak English. You tell us about God and Jesus Christ, and that we should not work on the Sabbath. My eyes are being opened to it. I do not work any more on the Sabbath. *But how do you pray to God?* I want to learn the prayer you say at night and the prayer you say on rising up in the morning. I believe this thing you say about God, but I do not know how to pray to Him." Mr. Roberts answered the young man fully and told him that God could hear all tongues, "the Vei as well as the English, for he made them all," and though at first inclined to doubt the practicability of prayer in any language except English, his inquirer listened attentively to the Lord's Prayer in the Vei, and after further instruction, with a "So, is it?" and thanks, left Mr. Roberts "with brighter hopes."

If all the Christian women of America should learn to pray "Thy Kingdom come," in the Master's spirit, would not *these* fly as doves to their windows, and more incense of prayer rise from all lands? Lord, teach *us* to pray!

A SECRET SOCIETY AT GABOON.

[A VETERAN of our Gaboon Mission who has been for some years past in America, upon receiving a copy of the accompanying cut, sends this explanation.]

As to the cut, I recognize some of the features as plainly Mpongwe, but all of them seem to have a thin veil of secrecy drawn over them when seen through an eyeglass.

If I know the thing at all, it is a secret society called Indâ (pronounced *eendau*). Their principal business as a society is to go about stealing fowls, goats, sheep, and other desirable articles, principally food, which they consume the same nights. Indâ never walks except in the night.

That middle figure is constructed of rushes, flags or stript palm leaves, and inside is the Indâ, a spirit conjured up from somewhere, which has marvelous skill in stealing. It can steal a mother's child out of her arms, and she will not know of it for some minutes, and then she dare not speak. Those that I have seen were ten

feet high, draped with dark cloth reaching to the ground and a light hoop of rattan expanding it all around. Inside is a young man on stilts, standing four feet from the ground. He has learned to walk on the stilts, and comrades are close around to rectify any accident or fall. No African dares call him or them to account for any of their acts.

On one occasion, when a head-man of a town near had some goats keeping for me, he sent them all home and sent word that Indâ would walk that night and he could not keep them. I said to the men, "Put the goats into that house for to-night, and come and take them back in the morning." A man standing near laughed, and said, "You think you go see them goat in the morning? Maybe. No," he said, "Indâ go take them all." "What is Indâ?" "Indâ is a spirit, *indina*. Don't care for shot, for gun? No, you can't hurt him." I took my gun and loaded one barrel with buck and the other with small shot, and capped it. "Now you go and tell Indâ, if he will take those goats to-night, there shall be no complaints—no palaver."

About midnight Indâ passed in front of the mission house, stopped in front of the two gates, and I heard the young men whispering; but they passed along and found their supper from another who had more reverence for Indâ than I had.

The attendants in the picture are not dressed as when Indâ walks. They walk more in the costume of that little fellow sitting on his heels at the left. Indâ wants the women shut up, and the women, on their part, choose to be out of the way. You now know nearly all that I do about Indâ.

William Walker.

A GLIMPSE OF BRAZIL WITH A VISITOR.

[An American lady on a visit to interior Brazil gives these impressions of the poorer class of farmers and the influence of missionary work, in an informal letter to a friend.]

I can give you no idea of the poverty and shiftlessness in this neighborhood, yet with all the dirt there is a vein of true politeness in the people which I cannot account for unless their ancestors were a superior race. There is nothing that we would call decency or comfort in their homes, there is no privacy; but in those who are trying to live a Christian life the change is simply marvelous. The women about us had no buttons nor pins to fasten their dresses; they were open "down before" to the waist-line. That was a little too much to be subject to, every day and Sunday too, so I have been distributing buttons and pins very freely. The missionary was afraid I should offend them, but I tell her nudity offends me, for the children's sake as well as my own. The improvement in their personal appearance is all that their means will permit.

I have a sewing-class of seventeen girls

who come to our house twice a week. I have provided material for a quilt for each of them and they are very happy to know that they are to own a pretty thing. I had a quilt which was pieced in the Sao Paulo sewing society, which I gave to a woman who is a leper. She is a member of the church here, but comes out only on Communion Sunday. She brings her own cup in which she is served to bread and wine. It is a sad sight to see her shunned by her fellow-men. She has four bright and interesting children.

I wish you could see the earnest desire of these people to know the true gospel. I do not know how to describe the avidity with which they hear and accept the truth. They take the Bible as the Word of God. The missionary read to a woman the story of the "Prodigal Son." She said: "One would not want to eat or sleep if she could hear such good news and know that it was from the Word of God."

We have service every Sunday and Wednesday evening, conducted by one of the theological students when the missionary is serving in some other part of his "diocese." I wish you could have seen the congregation as they were seated last Sunday in our dining-room which accommodates one hundred, if about twenty sit on the floor. We had six large trunks in the room, which were laid on the side; then the double doors were taken off the hinges and laid on the trunks, and the window shutters used in the same way, and, with benches from the school-room, we could seat eighty. The hall and study were filled with men and boys standing or sitting on the floor. The average attendance is one hundred and thirty; of that number there are fifty-eight communicants. It is very sad to look over this congregation and know that not more than ten or fifteen of the number can read. They are very grateful for the advantage of a day-school for their children, in which there are thirty pupils.

* * * * This magnificent empire has been cultivated with the "shovel and the hoe," but now, since slavery has been abolished, it will be absolutely necessary for the farmers to use modern implements or starve. There has been a general stampede of the ex-slaves from the plantations to the towns and cities in this part of the province. They can earn enough to keep body and soul together and that is as much as they have ever had. We have offered high wages to women to serve us on the plantation, but they are unwilling to leave town. The result is that I often make bread with three or four women looking on. Many of them had never seen or tasted bread before. There is a hundred years' difference between the people here and those of the coast towns and cities.

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INDIVIDUALITY IN A SCHOOL-ROOM OF INDIA.

SOME people in this country think of all the Chinese as monotonously alike, and all the people of India as tiresome repetitions of one another. That their missionary teachers do not so regard them is evidenced by the following sketches in outline from the pen of one.

1. ——— Very bright, pretty, well-educated woman.

2. ——— Very sweet-looking and intelligent woman.

3. ——— Wife of the half-blind man, a heavy, stolid party.

4. ——— Bound to get on, as her heart is in study and work.

5. ——— A good deal of the Mussulman still sticking to her, but a bright young creature, learns rapidly, and does not forget what she learns.

6. ——— A darling child, one that any dainty body could love.

7. ——— A most comical creature; no matter what her undergarments are, she is bound to flourish about in a flannel hood.

8. ——— Seems to do very well.

9. ——— New convert, makes good progress.

10. ———'s spouse; remains on the first page of Roman and Hindi primers, and there she would stay if she remained in school fifty years.

A MISSIONARY of the American Board in North China mentions a village near them at Pang-Chuang in which a successful evangelical work is carried on which is largely dependent upon the labors of one woman, and where all the women are very poor, yet some of them sit up half the night to spin thread in order to earn money to build a little chapel. Their united labors have resulted in the collection of only about fifteen dollars, but they are working on in hope.

Woman's Organized Foreign Missionary Work,

IN GREAT BRITAIN.

"The Lord giveth the word: The women that publish the tidings are a great host.
"Kings of armies flee, they flee: And she that tarrieth at home divideth the spoil."
—Ps. lxviii. 11, 12. *Revised Version.*

I. The Society for Promoting Female Education in the East.

Founded in 1834, through the earnest appeal of Rev. David Abeel, Missionary of the American Board to China.

Annual income, about $35,000.

Abroad.—Missionaries, 40; schools, 275; scholars, 17,624; Zenanas visited, 382. This oldest of women's existing missionary societies is represented in Egypt, Syria, Persia, India, Singapore, China and Japan.

MAGAZINE.—*The Female Missionary Intelligencer*, 16 pp., published monthly, 48 Paternoster Row, London, E. C. Price, one shilling.

II. Free Church of Scotland.

Ladies' Society for Female Education in India and South Africa. Founded 1837.

Home income in its fiftieth year, £11,005. Contributions from India, £3,651.

Appointments for India are made by an Edinburgh Committee of Ladies, and for Africa by a Glasgow Committee, while the Presidents and Secretaries of the Society are all gentlemen. Missionaries are styled by this Society "Agents."

Abroad.—Missionaries, European or Eurasian, 32; Native Helpers, 187; total number of pupils in all schools, 6,700. The first medical missionary lady was sent to Madras last year.

FACTS.—Largest girls' boarding-school of this Soc. in Africa is at Lovedale, in Kafraria, has 60 boarders, 40 day scholars. Large schools are in Calcutta, also, and in the Madras Presidency. The reports are sprinkled with such expressions as "The Lord has been working in the hearts of many of our girls;" "The women listen with attention;" "God's Word is finding a place in some hearts." The Missions of this Church are in Bengal, Bombay, Madras and Central India; South Africa and on Lake Nyassa; in the Lebanon; the New Hebrides; besides the Keith-Falconer Mission, Continental and special Missions to the Jews.

III. Church of Scotland.

Ladies' Association for Foreign Missions, including Zenana Work. Organized 1838.

At Home.—The next Annual Conference will be held in Edinburgh, May 31, 1889, and will be an open meeting conducted by ladies.

Income for 1887: in Scotland, £5,805 14s. 3d.; in India, £1,046 14s.

Abroad.—Missionaries: European, 15; Eurasian, 14; Native agents, 107. Located at Calcutta, Madras, other India cities, and Blantyre, East Africa.

FACTS.—About 2,500 children in school, and 283 regular zenanas visited. Only one baptism was recorded in the last annual report.

Ladies' Association for the Christian Education of Jewish Females. Organized 1845.

Income for 1888, £414 18s. 6d.

Several schools are prosecuted at Alexandria and ports of the Turkish Empire. The largest is at Constantinople and numbers 105 Spanish Jewesses.

MAGAZINE.—*News of Female Missions in Connection with the Church of Scotland.* 42 Hanover Street, Edinburgh. Published quarterly. Price, 8d. Not self-supporting.

IV. Indian Female Normal School and Instruction Society.

Organized 1852. Headquarters, 2 Adelphi Terrace, London, W. C.

The Society originated within the Church of England, but is not denominational, and has a constituency all over Great Britain. Its president, Lady Kinnaird, and its first vice-president, the Countess of Aberdeen, were prominent figures in the London Conference last summer. The efforts of the Society are confined to India. Its finance committee is composed of gentlemen, and its annual meeting is presided over and, with rare exceptions, addressed by gentlemen only.

Annual income, £10,000 in England, Rupees 30,000 in India.

Abroad.—Missionaries, 55, of whom, physicians, 4, Bible-women, 54; total number of agents, 217. Normal schools for girls, 6; day schools, 63; more than 2,000 girls under instruction in 1887, besides 1,600 pupils in zenanas.

FACTS.—The Victoria High School at Poona is one of the successful institutions of this Society. It contains 140 children of five races; a large Ragged School is also in the same city. There are two hospitals, one at Benares, the other at Lucknow; at the latter were 110 in-patients in 1887, and 2,267 cases were treated at dispensaries in the same city. Zenanas are visited in thirteen of the large cities of North India.

MAGAZINE.—*The Indian Female Evangelist*, 52 pp., published quarterly. Circulation about 2,000. Price, one shilling.

Letters from the Front.

WEST AFRICA.

Mrs. Good, who, having made a visit home to America, returned to Kangwe, on the Ogove River, last year, wrote from there January 10, 1889:

Ever since my return I seem to have been most fully occupied, and this year my family has been increased by three French gentlemen and fifty boys in the school. My part has been to superintend their sewing and mending, and any medical treatment they may require. Some days poultices were my "mission." During all the week they learn French in school, so on Sunday I have tried to hear every one read in the native language and recite verses for Sunday-school. Many have made good progress and last Sunday I gave each one the Gospel he had been using. I have one little girl, the betrothed of the eldest schoolboy. She has learned very well indeed and I hope to keep her two years longer.

I would be glad to have a girls' school, and now that we hope to move into the new little cottage that has been built on Kangwe Hill, we may be able to have some girls. I have had many, many applications for them to come and live with me, but had to say "wait" every time. Two girls came three times, and were willing to sleep on the veranda if I would only let them stay. Girls' and boys' schools could not get on well in the same yard.

I have a young African woman with me who has been in England for several years and understands English and civilized ways. She came in May, and since then has been studying the language of this tribe and assisting me in whatever way she could.

To-day I have been helping my husband a little with his reports, and am so grateful for the results that God has blessed us with, I ask you to rejoice with us. In 1887 our church membership was 91. In 1888, 96 have been added, making 187 now. This means to us here in the midst of heathenism, so much! Of course, not all are strong, and some may fail; but we trust to Him who gave them courage and strength to leave their heathen ways to help them continue faithful.

Two chapels have been built this year, and $162 given in the collections. The first eight years of the Church's organization there were only eight women baptized; now we number sixty-three. Why do I not try to have a little society among them? I have wished for it, but the time has not come yet. They are only learning to give. This amount they have contributed is used here to pay the salary of a Bible-reader, whom they all know and respect. When they bring their contributions they usually say, "It is to help the work." Every Sabbath, after regular service, the Christians (men and women) have a prayer-meeting by themselves. On Communion Sundays the meetings are separate.

We have had some sickness, but nothing serious. My husband was not able to do his work for two months, but has recovered now. Our little boy, Albert, is well, and such a comfort as you can well imagine. He understands the Fangwe quite well, and really teaches some of the children in their reading.

Miss Nassau, who told us last year about finding the first two Fangwe boys, who were willing to go to the mission to be taught, has been much encouraged by their progress. Both have expressed a desire to become Christians. She wrote from Talaguga in December last, mentioning a recent itineration, but giving no particulars. She is very much worn, and says:

I know that you are thinking much and praying for us all, especially since it has been decided that there is to be no transfer of this mission to the French Society. For this I am most glad. It has been a sad misfortune, apparently, that the state of indecision lasted so long and very naturally hindered the coming of reinforcements, and now we are so few and so feeble in our fewness!

I have learned to love these poor dark Fangwe people among whom I have journeyed and taught the last three years. Some have learned to read in both Fangwe and Mpongwe, and as they are in scattered towns, each one will be a centre and teach others as he has been taught. How I wish we had at least the whole of one of the Gospels in Fangwe! Mr. Good has accomplished much of the book of John, and I have told you in previous letters of the little helps we have been able to accomplish on the Model Press.*

* Primer, hymns, a small catechism and a little in the Gospel of Luke.

BRAZIL.

HOUSEKEEPING BEHIND.

MISS KUHL, who was so lately saying her good-byes among us before returning to SAO PAULO, has cast her housekeeper's eyes over the scene and reported, January 25, 1889:

It is very hot weather, the hottest ever known in Sao Paulo. I am still obliged to use the garret as a dormitory. If you ladies could see it you would raise your hands in horror. The dining-room and kitchen are also inadequate. I want a cooking-class, but there is no room. We need two dozen iron bedsteads with wire bottoms. They cannot be had here. I borrowed a dozen from Dr. Lane, but the boys now need them. I would be very glad if some society could furnish them. The size used in the Children's Hospital is about the size needed. The boys' department is very poorly furnished. I wish some society would send them sheets for single beds, pillow-cases for medium-sized pillows, table-cloths, knives, forks, and spoons.

The Jesuits have tried again to take our pupils from us and have succeeded in influencing some families. We have, however, a good number and more expected. At half-past six in the morning, just after our walk, we have a prayer-meeting with the young teachers which is very helpful. There are eight lovely girls who are now doing excellent work as teachers here.

DROUGHT AND FAMINE.

One hundred thousand emigrants have been sent into the Province this year. The slaves who were emancipated are not producers, and there has been a drought, provisions have advanced in price, many articles being four times as high as they were last year. I suppose you have heard of the suffering in Ceara, one of our northern Provinces. It did not rain for two years, vegetation was destroyed, the cattle died, food was very scarce, and many in the Interior died. At Maranhao, on our way back here, Captain Baker of the *Finance* received a telegram from the President of the Province asking him to stop at Ceara and take some of the sufferers south. He did so. I never saw a more pitiable sight. There were 710 people, many of them thin and looking as if they had suffered. There were 230 children. I went as interpreter every day with the Doctor to visit the sick.

The Church is prospering. The congregation is paying the salary of the pastor, a talented young man who was educated in our school and married one of our teachers. We all miss Miss Dascomb very much.

YELLOW FEVER.

MISS KUHL also wrote, March 24:

Dr. Lane went to * Santos to help organize medical work. He said he had seen many sad sights, but never anything to compare with the sorrow caused by the epidemic there. Nearly all business places were closed. He, with another physician, went through all the principal streets. They entered a hundred houses and found sick people in every one. There were many more at the hospital than there were beds, and as soon as a person died another was put into the same bed without even changing the sheets. Many nuns had died while nursing the patients.

The Portuguese Hospital was better. There were more physicians and nurses and every patient had a bed. Many died after only a few hours illness. Some dropped in the street, and the epidemic has been increased from want of thorough burial. Campinas and Rio Clara have also suffered.

Italians marched through the streets of Sao Paulo with a band of music, asking money and helpers for the sick in Santos. They called themselves the White Cross Society, and Dr. Lane said were doing excellent work in Santos. Some of them went into houses, treated the sick, took out the dead, and cleaned the houses. Our Church and School contributed for the sick. The weather here is cool and fresh like October, and yellow fever patients who have been brought here have recovered.

MISS THOMAS, whose opening sentence will cause great regret, wrote from SAO PAULO, February 20, 1889:

Owing to serious bronchial trouble I have been absolutely forbidden, and indeed unable, to continue either school or household duties, and these last few months have been wandering around in search of a good climate. An English family took our house for six months, and Miss Mary has the whole charge of the Kindergarten, with the assistance of a Brazilian lady, a young widow with four children, who is struggling hard to educate them. We have the youngest, a splendid boy, in the Kindergarten, the other three are in the other school.

Our former assistant was married last June. While there were the three of us at work, our school was doing well, both in numbers and financially. Then Donna Maraquinhas left us; then I was obliged to give up and employ others in my place; then, finding I still could not go to work, we decided to dismiss the older pupils, and have only the babies and the A, B, C, class. By doing this, Miss Mary is able to get on quite well.

KINDERGARTEN INFLUENCE.

You ask if there is any doubt in my mind regarding the importance of this especial kind of work. As I am the one most interested, perhaps I am not just the right one to answer that question. Mr. Chamberlain and Mr. Howell having their children in it all the time they were in Sao Paulo, testify constantly to its moral and spiritual help to the children. One mother came especially to thank me for the morning's

* Two and a half hours, by rail, south of Sao Paulo.

lesson of one day, seeing the result in her children. She has since become a member of the Church and Mr. Chamberlain felt the Kindergarten had an influence in leading her to take this step. One of the strongest arguments that has come to my knowledge recently is this. A little child who had been in Kindergarten a few weeks, was taken out, for the parents said, "If she were older those hymns and Bible verses would easily be forgotten, but such little children do not forget." If you could step in and hear the morning talks, and find the children answering by Bible verses, you would feel as I do, I am sure, that such precious seed must bring forth fruit in their lives. In the hands of an earnest Christian teacher it is as important a department as any in the educational field.

JAPAN.

KEEPING THE IRONS ON THE FIRE.

Miss Annie Blythe West writes that with *more than five hundred children* under their care they miss continually Miss Alexander, but "are trying to keep all our irons on the fire, though compelled to refrain from putting on new ones, which we would like to see added."

After speaking of the "convenient, bright, and cheerful" addition to the

YOKOHAMA SCHOOL BUILDING,

which was finished and occupied last fall, she adverts to the internal condition of the same school:

The Government officials continue to approve the management of the school. As usual, they attended the "great examinations" held last November. They were so pleased with the new part that they ordered the general examination of upper classes of all the private schools in Yokohama to be held there. They place ours next in importance to the large Yokohama Public School.

Five of the eight teachers employed last year are Christians. Daily catechism lessons are given with weekly reviews. Sunday-school work continues. Four Bible-women are still employed. They receive weekly instruction, and work daily among women and children. They have several regularly established meeting-places, but do a large work from house to house. During the year a number taught by them have been received into the Church. The children's Christmas contribution amounted to four dollars.

During Miss Alexander's absence, Miss Case and I divide the Yokohama work. She spends Tuesday and Friday afternoons there singing with the children (each one of whom is blessed with a powerful voice), and giving English lessons to the teachers. We were obliged to make this concession, because in the other mission schools in Yokohama the teachers are taught English, and we could not keep efficient ones unless we gave them a little. I go down on Wednesday, hear catechism reviews, give the Bible-women their lesson, and look after the school generally.

THEIR TOKYO SCHOOLS.

We feel more and more that our foundations in the "Shoyei Jo Gakko" (Mr. Okami's school for young ladies), are being securely laid, and we have cause for great thankfulness. Our girls are full of the right kind of enthusiasm. One of my most animated classes is a Bible-class. The girls ask intelligent questions, and often discuss theological points to which many American girls of sixteen are perfectly indifferent. During the year seven have been received into the Dai Machi Church.

The total number of pupils enrolled during the year has been 70; average attendance, 45. This may seem a great difference, but there is a reason for it. June is the popular time for making marriage contracts and at that time we lost a number of our older girls. It is one of our trials in Japan that they are taken from school at rather an early age to be married. However, these young ladies have been hearing Bible truth day by day for two years, and they are deeply enough interested in Christianity to go to church from their new homes.

As a part of their Christmas entertainment, the school gave in English a "Dime Offering exercise." Their offering, with weekly gifts at Sunday-school, amounting to ten dollars, they have given to the Board of Home Missions in Japan. The Primary department continues to prosper, and has a regular attendance of 185 pupils.

THE SHINAGAWA SCHOOL.

This has, since Miss Lena Leete's marriage, been under our care. The old building has been removed to a more favorable location and some improvements made, with no expense to the mission. The pupils are 35. We have a Christian teacher who is thoroughly qualified. The children all attend the Sunday-school of the Shinagawa church, where Miss Case helps with the teaching and singing. Shinagawa is in itself a large city, but it has really become a continuation of Tokyo. There is no other Christian school in it, and it is important that this should be developed in connection with the Church.

LAOS.

Miss Griffin wrote from Chieng Mai, January 17, 1889:

After presbytery, Miss Eakin accompanied Dr. and Mrs. Peoples back to Lakawn. Mr. Dodd will join them next week and a few days later the gentlemen, with three or four elders, representing as many churches, are to start on a tour north. They expect to be gone about three months, organizing churches and examining candidates.

FIRST LAOS MINISTER.

Our unfinished school building is very convenient at present for other purposes than that for which it was built. The partition walls are of bamboo matting and easily removed, so that the study-room and class-rooms can all be turned into one for Sunday

services, now that the church is much too small for the congregation.

Presbytery met there, and the ordination to the ministry of the first Laos man took place there.

CHINA.

DR. MARY NILES, writing from CANTON, February 12, reports of her medical work for the year:

It has been mostly in connection with the hospital. We have had 379 women in-patients during the year, and over 1,428 as out-patients, receiving from them in all 3,415 visits. There have been among the women 622 surgical operations. I, with my students, have seen most of these and performed a majority of the operations.

I have had occasional calls to see patients in their homes in the city; have made 229 professional calls upon 110 patients. In these homes of rich and poor, rulers and servants, I have been always uniformly treated with the utmost politeness, and whatever I have said in reference to Christianity has been received with outward deference. This work I feel should be followed up more closely, but it is difficult to form a definite plan.

Religious work among the in-patients is most satisfactory. Mrs. Kerr has had a school for those able and willing to attend, and it is a very valuable aid. Our Bible-woman is most faithful, practical and efficient. In the past year, six of the women and four men united with the Church, and all go away from here with a very different knowledge of Christianity than what they could have secured in any other way.

INDIA.

MRS. CHARLES NEWTON wrote from LODIANA in February. Referring to her recovery from a long illness, she says:

I have been stronger these winter months than for many a year, and so thankful that the dear Heavenly Father is permitting me to work for loved ones a little longer. I have a strange feeling when I look back upon a time (about three days, I believe), most of which is a complete blank. I remember some of the last efforts of the mind as I entered upon this state, like a fading light as one enters a long, dark tunnel, and I take up the duties of life with a new feeling—reverent thankfulness—time does seem so precious!

Death has been at work among our Native friends. The manager of the *Mission Press*, and connected with it for more than forty years, has been called away; a pleasant, polite, and venerable old gentleman, but Mohammedan in name to the last, although he had little confidence in the religion of his fathers. One cannot but think of Noah's carpenters, who helped save others, but failed to enter the ark themselves. The wife of our native pastor, Annie Dales, has been taken; a gentle Christian woman, whose uninterrupted testimony of her Saviour was not marred by any asperity of tongue or manner. You were almost sure to find her where there was sickness or suffering, and her prayers in our women's meetings were always uplifting. We sadly miss her at these places. Again, another of our Christian women was taken. She was not so shining a light as Mrs. Dales, but met death calmly, trusting in Christ. All three died of pneumonia.

I think I have never met with so much suffering as in my frequent visits to the village this winter, nor knew of so much moral corruption, which is much more sad. The net will draw in the good and bad, and those who come under the first class often suffer more than you could realize from the sins of their parents.

PUT TO THE TEST.

A case which is causing serious anxiety now is that of a lad baptized in an out-station of Lodiana, last summer. Two advanced students in the mission school there, under management of the Catechist, espoused Christianity and were baptized. One, probably of full age, was allowed to pass; but the other, being of higher caste, his parents brought suit against the missionaries, and they, not being able to prove his majority, though he is very likely eighteen, the court decided that while he should not return to his parents, he should be left in the custody of a Hindu lawyer (the boys are both Sikhs), he being considered a disinterested party. The boy is permitted to come to church, meet missionaries and Christian friends and talk with them. It is becoming more and more apparent that the lawyer, while not directly interfering, is, by gifts, kindness, and by allowing all sorts of objections to the truth to be poured into his ear, working to regain the boy. It is not impossible that he is working for a bribe. Meanwhile, you can see in what a difficult position the boy is. He has more than a year of his life in prospect, before he will be allowed to choose for himself—to give up all for Christ, or return to his family. So far he seems firm. Will you not join your prayers with ours that he may be steadfast?

MRS. TEDFORD wrote from SANGLI in February:

We hope to get our new church under way this year. A beautiful organ and bell, the generous gift of the Fifth Avenue Church, New York, have come. The lot had to be bought piecemeal from five or six different owners, who, although anxious, probably, to sell, were also eager to get as much as they possibly could for their property. We still want a narrow strip of ground, which will probably cost another hundred dollars. And now the difficulty of procuring building materials, and the possible opposition of those in authority here are before us; but we believe that all will come out right in the end, and we shall have a church in the heart of this heathen place where we may worship the true God.

HOME DEPARTMENT

THE MONTHLY MEETING.—*June.*

A Bible Reading, prepared with reference to the present disastrous aspect of affairs in Eastern and Central Africa.

Now, therefore, our God, the great, the mighty, and the terrible God, who keepest covenant and mercy, let not all the trouble seem little before thee that hath come upon us. Have respect unto the covenant: for the dark places of the earth are full of the habitations of cruelty. Arise, O Lord; let not man prevail; let the heathen be judged in thy sight. Put them in fear, O Lord, that the nations may know themselves to be but men. Behold, is it not of the Lord of hosts that the peoples labour for the fire, and the nations weary themselves for vanity?

For the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea. He shall judge among the nations, and shall rebuke many people; and they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain: for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea.

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn unto the Lord; and all the kindreds of the people shall worship before thee. So shall they fear the name of the Lord from the west, and his glory from the rising of the sun. When the enemy shall come in like a flood, the Spirit of the Lord shall lift up a standard against him. As truly as I live all the earth shall be filled with the glory of the Lord. My covenant will I not break, nor alter the thing that is gone out from my lips.

Nehemiah, ix. 32; Ps. lxxiv. 20; Ps. ix. 19, 20; Hab. ii. 13, 14; Is. ii. 4; Is. xi. 9; Ps. xxii. 27; Is. lix. 19; Numbers, xiv. 19; Ps. lxxxix. 34.

Africa, a Wonderful Chapter in Modern History. (*Miss. Review*, June, '88.) A Memorial to Congress on the Liquor Traffic, in Africa, from the World's W. C. T. U. (*Miss. Review*, April, '89, p. 292.)

The Great Arab Invasion of Central Africa. The Heart Disease of Africa. (Refer to Drummond's *Tropical Africa*, ch. iv.)

Sketch of the Mission in Uganda. Revolution in Uganda. (Refer to *Church Missionary Intelligencer* for February, March and April, '89; or, *Miss. Herald*, March and April, also *N. Y. Evangelist* of April 11th.)

A rapid survey of colonies established and Mission work begun in various parts of Africa. (*The Church*, June, '88.)

Difficulties arising from European protectorates and Roman Catholic Missionaries. (*The Church*, November, '88, p. 418.)

Cardinal Lavigerie's statement in regard to Mohammedans and the slave trade (p. 109). Difficulties caused by German colonists in East Africa. (p. 110, *The Church*, February, '89.)

British Missions in Eastern Equatorial Africa. (*The Church*, March, '89.) Fuller details. (*Miss. Review*, March, '89.)

Our Mission in Liberia. (Ann. Report.) Letters: from the Vei Country (*The Church*, July, '88); from Mr. Flournoy (p. 520, December, '88); also paper read before Manchester Geographical Society (p. 132, *Miss. Review*, February, '89).

The Gaboon and Corisco Mission. (*The Church*, June, '88.) Good News from Africa. (August, '88, p. 185.) Board's decision to continue work on the West Coast, and other items of interest. (pp. 11, 12, 13, January, '89.) Eight Years in Africa. (March, '89.)

A few Useful Statistics. Revival Scenes at Kangwe. (*W. W.*, June, '88.) Five Little African Girls and Jolly Boys. (September, '88.) Letters from Angom and Talaguga (November, '88); from Gaboon (January, '89).

Latest from Stanley and Emin Bey.

Continued prayer for suppression of traffic in liquor and slaves; for the safety of Missionaries in Eastern Africa; for the Church Missionary Society, whose missionaries have been expelled from Uganda; for the Christian converts in Uganda, that they may be sustained under persecution, and enabled to carry on the good work.

E. M. R.

ASSEMBLY AT PHILADELPHIA, APRIL 24, 25.

Two days crowded full of the sweetest Christian intercourse; two days full of opportunity for instruction and inspiration; and now it is all over, and in the quiet of our own home, our guests gone, we sit down, with a rumpled programme before us, to talk it over. But what shall we put in and what leave out of all the good things that began with Wednesday morning's devotional meeting and closed with another half-hour of waiting in prayer on Thursday afternoon? Reports, as usual, told the story of the year's work, the Treasurer giving as a total of the receipts $143,488. 74; the Home Secretaries reporting progress in organization, with 47 new Auxiliaries and 179 Bands and an encouraging increase in the subscription lists of the magazines, and giving an affectionate good-by to the Occidental Board, which now sets up housekeeping for itself.

The Foreign Secretary in a brief review, the fuller report being printed for circulation, gave quick glimpses of the different branches of woman's work in mission fields, taking us with her into schools and zenanas and missionaries' homes, into hospitals and beside open graves, where woman's ministry is blessed for uplifting and saving souls.

Time was found for conferences of Mission Band leaders, of Presbyterial officers and for a general conference conducted by Mrs. J. P. E. Kumler, of Pittsburgh. Three papers were read during the meeting: *Milestones*, marking progress in the history of the Society, by Mrs. S. L. McMillan, of Wooster, O.; *Marriage and Mission Work*, by Mrs. S. C. Perkins, of Philadelphia, making very plain and very solemn the relation of missionaries' wives and of unmarried missionary women to the work to which they have pledged themselves in accepting appointments from the Board of Foreign Missions; and *What is Success?* written in the interest of Mission Band workers, by Mrs. Thomas Carter, of Boonton, N. J.

But the interest of the meeting centred around the missionaries, of whom an unusual number were present. The first morning session brought Mrs. J. H. Shedd, with thirty years of missionary experience behind her, to give Proofs of the Grace of God in Persia; stories of a descendant of Mohammed baptized in secret at the missionary's home, but living a life in Christ that could not be hid; of a timid convert finding courage to confess his faith on his death-bed; of providential deliverance from the dangers of war, when the "Fearnots" of the Bible had new meaning and complete fulfillment.

The *Missionary Symposium* proved to be a gathering of missionaries upon the platform: Mrs. Tracy and Miss Fullerton, of India; Mrs. Shedd and Mrs. Potter, of Persia; Mrs. Leyenberger, of China; Miss Everett, of Syria; Mrs. Reading, of Africa, and Miss Davis, fresh from Japan. Introduced by the Foreign Secretary, one after another gave the native salaam of her field, sang a native hymn or repeated a Scripture text. Then questions and answers from one to another of the group brought out a very *real* view of their work. "Are your people idolaters?" Thirty-three thousand three hundred and thirty-three idols in one temple in Japan; three hundred million gods in India and not one a God of love; spirit-worship and superstitious fetichism in Africa, but no idols. The question whether school work or evangelistic work is most useful, drew from one of the company the claim that school work *is* evangelistic work, when from kindergarten to graduating class every day brings a Scripture lesson, to be told over again in the home. Hindrances to work in different fields were compared and many interesting incidents related.

The Wednesday evening meeting introduced more missionaries: Rev. George A. Seeley, reporting from his parish of one million souls in the Furrukhabad district of India; and Rev. E. P. Dunlap, just from Siam, feeble in health but with the fire of enthusiasm not one whit diminished, as he pleaded "not less for America, but more for Siam!"

Shortening the morning conference gave a few minutes for Miss Davis to tell of the school at Takata, under the care of Bancho teachers and pupils; and Mrs. Blaikie, of Edinburgh, whose sweet, motherly face shone with a love that emphasized her words, urged the women of America to live "wholly for Christ, not one bit for the world."

Thursday afternoon Mrs. Tracy told of the *Realities of Mission Work;* disappointments that try the faith of the enthusiastic young workers, more than balanced by the growing love for the work and its sure

progress and success. "Yes" she said, with glowing face, "the realities of mission work are blessed and glorious." Mrs. Leyenberger's *Message from China* was not the bridal costume worn by one of the young ladies nor the little shoe that told of bound feet, but a letter from Mrs. Laughlin, written from the midst of the famine district. Distributing relief at the rate of a cent a day to each sufferer, telling the story of the Cross one thousand times in six weeks, and then asking for prayers of Christians at home that she may have patience and not grow weary—her message made us feel that the days of heroic sacrifice for Christ's sake are not over.

Our President's closing words reminded us that it was the presence of the Holy Spirit that had made these days so precious, and she urged us not to let go our hold upon God if we would prosper or be blessed in our work. *Fanny U. Nelson.*

BOARD OF THE NORTHWEST.

Our eighteenth annual meeting was held at Fort Wayne, Ind., April 23–25. How can we describe this two-days' feast on a single page? If such vivid memories of Freeport and of all the other annual meetings did not linger in our memories, we should certainly say that the Fort Wayne ladies were the most perfect hostesses we had ever seen, such a loving, hearty welcome did they give us to their church, their homes and their hearts. No smallest detail which could concern our comfort was neglected. The programme was well prepared. A quartette choir and one of our own sweet singers, Miss Sophie Rhea, furnished delightful music.

The meeting opened on Tuesday evening with a delightful reception given to the Board by the ladies of Fort Wayne. This was emphatically a missionary meeting, since seven of our returned missionaries were present to tell us of their work. The mother of two missionaries now on the field, Mrs. Garvin, spoke beautiful words of welcome, to which Mrs. Forsyth responded for the Board. Personal greetings were received from sister Boards of the Methodist Episcopal Church, of New York, of Philadelphia, of the North Pacific, and of the Christian Church.

The President's address was a stirring call to ceaseless effort, until all the world shall share in the great salvation which has been made known unto us. The reports of the Foreign Secretaries showed how valiantly our missionaries are holding up the banner of the Cross "'mid the thickest of the fray." The Home Secretary spoke of activity and progress among those who sustain the home side of the work. In our own domain, sixty-five new Societies and ninety-six Bands have been organized. In many places most successful efforts to increase the circulation of the missionary magazines have been made.

Popular meetings were held on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. Mr. Speer, of the senior class at Princeton College, who had kindly consented to come nearly a thousand miles for the sake of being with us, delivered an eloquent address. The church was crowded to its utmost capacity. His words were intended especially for the young people of his audience. Thoroughly conversant with the needs of the home field, ignoring none of the dangers which threaten our own country, he yet pressed the greater claims of heathen lands, and plead most earnestly that the Church withhold neither men nor means while multitudes are dying every day who cannot hear of Christ except some one "be sent" to them.

The synodical reports were most inspiring, making us very proud of our faithful synodical officers, who have wrought so nobly during the past year. In Dakota, the Indian women put us to shame by giving more than white women of our three Presbyteries. In Iowa more new Societies and Bands have been formed than in any previous year. Our Presbyteries in Ohio promise to cultivate more assiduously than ever before the "waste places" of their vineyard. Nebraska reports twenty-two of her own children ready to give themselves to the work! In Wisconsin the Young Ladies' Societies are coming to the front. The Christian women of Utah do not forget to pray for our work, although they see so much of sin and degradation at their own doors. Michigan supports eight missionaries. In Minnesota there has never been so much real progress; if there be anything that the women there have failed to do, it is "only postponed." Illinois has this year given seven new missionaries to the Board. Thus are all these Synods provoking one another "unto love and to good works."

Thursday afternoon we listened to a very interesting paper upon "The Value of Missions to the World." Surely no one who heard those convincing arguments will ever

ask, "Do missions pay?" As the closing hour drew near we looked once more upon the faces of our dear missionaries and missionary candidates grouped upon the platform, longing to photograph them indelibly upon our hearts. Mrs. Douglass, our president, spoke tender farewell words. Reminding us of how freely we have received the choicest blessings, she warned us that to whom "much is given," of them "much will be required."

Thus we came down from the mount, praying that this meeting might be the Gate Beautiful by which we should enter into fuller service for the Master.

Annie H. Giles.

SOCIETY OF NORTHERN NEW YORK.

The seventeenth annual meeting was pronounced by many of those who come yearly to this feast to be the most delightful one the Society had ever held.

Too much cannot be said in praise of the indefatigable efforts of the committees of the Fourth Church to make this meeting in Albany successful. Delegates found nothing had been left undone that could possibly add to their comfort and pleasure.

It was gratifying at the devotional service, with which the meeting began, at 4 P. M., Wednesday, April 17, to find so many earnest women assembled with one accord to invoke the Divine presence and blessing. The subject selected by the leader, Miss Bush, was "Personal responsibility in leading the world to Christ." Many who had long been interested in Miss West had, at this meeting, the pleasure of seeing and hearing this veteran missionary.

At the evening meeting, the large edifice, which had been beautifully decorated with flowers and growing plants, was filled. Doctor Raymond, the pastor of the church, presided, and welcomed the delegates, though no words were needed to express a welcome which all had already felt. Doctor Raymond showed the supreme interest of foreign missions, and its vital importance to spiritual development of churches at home. Justice cannot be done, in this brief notice, either to the address or the response by the Rev. Theophilus Sawin, of the First Church, Troy.

Doctor Atterbury was the missionary speaker of the evening, and his address had been eagerly waited for by many who had long been familiar with his work in the hospital at Peking. Doctor Atterbury did not disappoint his eager listeners; there was but one expression on the lips of all at the conclusion of his remarks; that it was all too short. Gladly would all have listened longer to the recital of what, under God, had been accomplished in China.

Thursday morning was bright and beautiful, and at nine o'clock the lecture-room of the church was well filled with those who felt it was a privilege to lift up their hearts in prayer for the work so dear to the Master, and for the workers in distant lands. Mrs. Yeisley, of Hudson, led the service, beautifully impressing the thought of our oneness with God, through Christ, in this work.

The President called the business session together promptly at 9.30, and after brief devotional exercises, gave her annual address, which is a feature of the meeting all look forward to with interest. The general topic of the address was "Need of patience in Christian work," Luke viii. 15. It showed that lack of patience was at the root of the evil which now threatens so many of our societies and churches, who, forgetting their pledges and loyalty to the work of their own Board, readily promise assistance to any new form of benevolence that solicits their aid.

The Secretary's report was full of interest, and from the foreign side full of encouragement; but from the home side the record was not all that could be desired; while many societies and bands had advanced, the advance had not been all along the line. The Treasurer's report showed that the principal deficiency was from the Sabbath-schools.

Miss C. A. Bush, of Troy, presented the report on publications, and made a most effective plea for this important arm of the missionary work.

The afternoon session saw the body pews filled with bright, happy children, and the sight of so many eager, upturned faces, especially those of the boys, many of whom were over fourteen, was full of promise for the future. Mrs. Kirk, of Albany, admirably conducted the exercises of this hour. One feature which interested both old and young was the singing of a hymn in Siamese and one in Arabic, the former by three young girls and the latter by Mrs. Barakat's little daughter, all in appropriate costume.

Miss Fullerton, of Woodstock, portrayed life among the poor of India, and their need

of the transforming power of the Gospel. Rev. J. L. Potter brought cheering words from Teheran, which, notwithstanding the hour for closing was near at hand, were received with pleasure and profit.

No words can convey any idea of the pleasure and help given by Mrs. Bentley, of Albany, as her sweet voice rang out in heartfelt song at all the sessions.

The officers of the past year were re-elected; the place made vacant by the death of Mrs. J. O. Cole, of Albany, whose dear face, for the first time in years, was absent, was filled by election of Mrs. Raymond. Resolutions on the death of Mr. Archd. McClure, who had been such a helpful, devoted friend to the Society, were adopted.

Over six hundred partook of the bountiful lunch provided by the various Presbyterian churches of the city. An invitation was accepted to hold the next annual meeting in the Second Church, Troy, N. Y. The closing prayer was offered by Rev. J. L. Potter, and the benediction by Doctor Raymond closed this most delightful meeting.

Emily A. Darling.

NEW YORK BOARD.

The nineteenth annual meeting was held in the First Church, Utica, N. Y., on April 10 and 11. Here, behind the palm-decked platform, hung the Roll of Honor, bearing the names of fifteen men and women who had gone forth from this church as missionaries of the cross. Some of these names are of world-wide renown, as can be seen from the following list: Maria S. Loomis, Sandwich Islands; James Garrett and Mary B. Sampson, India; H. G. O. Dwight, D.D., Turkey; Asahel Grant, M.D., Persia; S. Wells Williams, LL.D., China; W. Frederick Williams, D.D., Asia Minor; Mary J. Carroll, Harriet A. Sheldon, and Sarah Dean, North American Indians; Alfred North, Northern India; Stephen B. MacComber, and Henry K. Hoisington.

In such a church as this it was certain that everything possible would be done in the wisest and pleasantest way, and this promise was fulfilled in every detail, including the beautifully decorated platform, the good choir, the excellent band of ushers, and the well-served and abundant luncheon provided by the thoughtful kindness of Mrs. Goldthwaite. The hospitality of the ladies of Utica was proved by their cordial offer of entertainment to all the delegates, who numbered 191; twenty out of our twenty-five Presbyterial Societies being thus represented.

The devotional meeting in the lecture-room at 10 o'clock on Wednesday morning, was led by Mrs. William Alling, of Rochester. At 10.30, the meeting was opened in the church by the president, Mrs. H. N. Beers, of New York. After the opening service, the report of the Home Secretaries was read by Miss Van Rensselaer. It was full of interest and full of promise. Especial reference was made to the "Bureau of Exchange," from which, during the past year, 3,727 missionary letters have been sent out to auxiliaries.

Miss Parsons presented the report of the Publication Committee, showing the gratifying results of the sale of leaflets, and the increase in the circulation of the magazines.

A brief abstract of the report of the Foreign Secretaries was read by Mrs. F. F. Ellinwood. There are 53 missionaries, of whom 7 are now at home, and 3 are under appointment, but have not yet been assigned to fields of labor. There are 15 missionaries in China, 8 in Japan, 8 in Persia, 6 in India, 4 in Syria, 3 in Brazil, 2 in Guatemala, 2 in Africa, 1 in Korea, and 1 in Mexico.

The report of the Treasurer, Mrs. C. P. Hartt, was read, showing that the total receipts for the year have been $55,406.

Miss Alexander, of Tokyo, told of her work in Japan, where she has been since 1880. The keynote of her address was *hope*, as the advance of religious liberty in Japan was explained, and the fact stated that the number of Christians in Japan is doubled every three years. The wonderful liberality of Japanese Christians was proved by the fact that 9,000 of them had raised $21,000 for the cause of Christ!

Mrs. H. M. Andrews, formerly of India, next gave one of her eloquent addresses. She pointed out the weak links in the chain of Christian effort, showing first that the need is great in India for more Bibles, as 262,000,000 of people have been supplied with only 6,000,000 copies of the Scriptures; secondly, there is the need of more asylums for children, for the blind, and for lepers; and thirdly, there is need of supplying medical missionaries with the means to *give* medicine where, as is usually the case, the patient is too poor to pay for it. Her concluding words were

those of the Apostle Paul: "We beseech you that ye increase more and more."

The afternoon session was devoted to the interest of Young People's Societies and Mission Bands. Mrs. W. D. Barbour, of New York, presided, and much valuable information was drawn out by skillful questions addressed to various leaders of Bands who were present. There was not one present who works with young people who did not gain some new idea or helpful hint. One novel idea from a boys' band was of the "Collie Committee," appointed to gather in the absentees.

The social hour followed. Missionaries were easily distinguished by a badge of orange ribbon, and as there were ten present, this pleasant occasion afforded an opportunity for greeting those who, like Mrs. Bushnell, have borne the heat and burden of the day, or for wishing Godspeed to Miss Bigelow, of Utica, who is soon to go out to Brazil for the first time.

In the evening was held the popular meeting of the session, at which Rev. Dr. Bachman, pastor of the church, presided, and interesting addresses were made by Dr. Atterbury, of Peking, China, Rev. G. W. Chamberlain, of Brazil, and Rev. Dr. John Gillespie, Secretary of the Foreign Board. On Thursday morning, the officers and managers of the Board were elected for the coming year, after which some amendments to the By-Laws, which had been under consideration for some time, were discussed and adopted. The most important of these was that which limits the right of voting, henceforth, at the annual meetings to those delegated for that purpose; each Presbyterial Society being entitled to send two delegates from its Presbyterial officers, and one for each five of its auxiliaries. After this followed the Question Hour, when Miss Hubbard answered many inquiries as to the best means of prosecuting different branches of the work. Miss Ottaway spoke of the mission to Guatemala as in a unique field, where work had been going on since 1883. The account of the progress of the Beirut Seminary, given by Miss Everett, was most encouraging. The ladies there are training the young women of Syria as teachers, or wives and mothers of Christian homes.

The Committee on Resolutions presented the cordial appreciation and sincere thanks of the Women's Board to all who had contributed to make their meeting so delightful. The invitation of the ladies of Elmira to hold the next meeting in their city was, upon resolution, accepted.

The last address was made by Dr. Atterbury, who gave a short account of his own work in the Hospital in Peking, and proved how beautifully the healing art and Christian teaching can go together, and with what delightful results they are followed. The meeting was concluded by prayer by Mrs. McEwen, of New York, and the benediction pronounced by Dr. Chamberlain.

Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church.

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Candidates will address Mrs. S. C. PERKINS.

Treasurer, Mrs. JULIA M. FISHBURN.

Send all letters to 1334 Chestnut Street, Phila.

Directors' Meeting, first Tuesday of the month, and prayer-meeting third Tuesday, at 12 M., in the Assembly Room. Visitors welcome.

AT the annual election of officers of this Society a new office was created—that of *Secretary for Missionary Letters*. All requests for letters to read at meetings, or whatever might properly come under the head of "bureau of exchange," should henceforth be addressed to Miss A. Bodine.

NEW APPOINTMENTS.

MISS MARY WARD GREENE to Teheran (Persia) Girls' School. She has been teaching in the Ramona School at Santa Fé, New Mexico.

MISS JESSIE DUNLAP, of Springfield, Ohio, to Lodiana, India.

MISS LOUISE JOHNSTON, of Philadelphia, to Wei Hien, China. She has been teaching the Chinese in Philadelphia and elsewhere for several years, with much success.

MISS EMMA F. LANE, of Morton, Pa., to Nanking, China.

MISS KUHL is safely and happily back again in her school at Sao Paulo, and Miss A. K. Davis has returned for her first home visit after seven years in Tokyo, Japan. Her address is 50 Fifth Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa.

THE foregoing notices are brief, and lists of new Auxiliaries and Bands omitted altogether this month to give space for treasurers' reports of unusual length.

Woman's Presbyterian For. Miss. Society of Northern N. Y.

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Correspondence with Societies and Bands in Troy and Champlain Presbyteries, Miss M. C. EDDY, Glenwood, Troy, N. Y.

Special Object Secretary, Mrs. JAMES H. DENNIS, Waterford, N. Y.

KNOWING that many readers of *W. W. W.* were unable to attend our meeting at Albany last week, it has been thought advisable to call their attention to two standing committees appointed at that time, as well as the election of a fifth corresponding secretary, called a "Special Object Secretary."

The two standing committees are:

On Printing—Mrs. Archibald McClure, 232 State Street, Albany; Miss Eddy; Miss F. C. Curtis.

On Publication—Miss Bush, 29 Second Street, Troy; Mrs. Rudd; Mrs. C. P. Williams, Jr.

ALL questions relating to our annual reports, to leaflets, and to missionary literature (not pertaining to *Woman's Work* or *Children's Work*) should be addressed to Mrs. McClure.

ALL business pertaining to *Woman's Work* and *Children's Work* will be transacted by Miss Bush.

AT the request of Mrs. Fry and our Foreign Missionary Central Committee of the Woman's Boards, we have elected a Special Object Secretary. After consultation with Mrs. McClure and Miss Eddy, she will give out new work for the year, and correspond directly with Mrs. Fry in regard to it. All questions relating to new work or special objects should be addressed to Mrs. James H. Dennis, Waterford, N. Y.

MRS. NASON will continue to take charge of our Page in this magazine. All notices for publication should be mailed directly to her.

WE hope all our officers and members will read attentively our annual reports as soon as they are received. Our work has not been entirely satisfactory this year. We have not made any advance in our contributions, indeed we admit with shame that we have fallen a little behind the record of 1888. Last year our contributions amounted to $10,413.42. This year we have given only a few dollars over $10,000. It is something of a satisfaction to know that we have fulfilled all our pledges, and have had some unappropriated money. But let us aspire to great things this year. With self-sacrifice, extra labor, and the blessing of God, we shall be successful.

AT our annual meeting Miss Bush reported for the magazines in a very concise, interesting manner. She stated that we have eighty-four more subscribers for *Woman's Work* this year than last. But still there are forty churches within the limits of our society, where not a single number is taken.

With regard to *Children's Work*, the subscription list for the whole society shows an increase of forty-five over that of the previous year. Miss Bush then brought out this fact with relation to the four presbyteries, which have in the past made up the territory of Northern New York. As a whole our society has fallen short this year nearly $400 (as previously stated). Two of our presbyteries have actually made an advance, and the deficit was entirely in the other two. It is a singular coincidence that the presbyteries which have made an advance in contributions have also increased their subscription list to these two publications, and the two presbyteries which are behind in contributions have also fallen off in subscriptions to these magazines. Let the reports for 1890 show that we have "advanced all along the line."

Woman's Presbyterian Board of Missions of the Southwest.

NO. 1107 OLIVE STREET, ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI.

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Meetings of the Board are held at the Presbyterian Rooms, 1107 Olive Street, second floor, St. Louis, on the first and third Tuesdays of each month, at 2 P. M. All interested in Missions are invited to be present.

Missionary Literature can be obtained at the "Rooms," between the hours of 10 A. M. and 4 P. M. Mail orders should be addressed to "Woman's Presbyterian Board of Missions of the Southwest, 1107 Olive Street, St. Louis, Mo."

AT a recent meeting held by the Southwest Board, a young lady of great promise offered herself for Foreign Mission Work, asking that she might first be given the benefit a of thorough

medical education. This young lady is a graduate of our city High School, has studied three languages, understands music, and has taught school with good success for two years. The question at once arose and was thoroughly discussed, "Shall we as a Board purchase a scholarship in the Woman's Medical College, either in Philadelphia or Chicago, and hereafter be educating a Medical Missionary for double usefulness in foreign lands?" All unanimously voted for the scholarship. We wish to raise one thousand dollars for this purpose, and have decided to divide it into shares of twenty-five cents a share, and we wish to raise this money outside of the offerings for Missions. Surely both our woman's societies and children's bands can take a few shares, if not more than four, which is only one dollar. Will not your society try it? These medical missionaries go out doubly equipped for service. They can minister to the poor diseased body, and when gratitude is won, tell of the Great Physician who never fails to heal the sin-sick soul that comes to Him. Other Woman's Boards are educating Medical Missionaries and have their scholarships. Can we not have one?

Let us all give something, and it will not take long to raise the money.

Committee, { MRS. J. W. McINTYRE, MRS. J. W. ALLEN, MRS. G. E. MARTIN.

NEW AUXILIARIES.

Missouri, Charlotte, W. M. S.
" Greenwood, "
" St. Louis, Memorial Tabernacle, Rays of Light.

Receipts of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church, from April 1, 1889.

[PRESBYTERIES IN SMALL CAPITALS.]

SYNOD OF THE ATLANTIC.—Abbeville, 7.50; Anderson, 50 cts.; Bethlehem, 50 cts.; Carmel, 6.50; Columbia, Ladison Ch., 6.02½; Goodwille, 2; Hermon, 97½ cts.; Lebanon, 1.50; Macon, 6.50; Mattoon, 3; Mt. Zion, 3; Misc., 1, 39.00

ATHENS.— Amesville, 10; Athens, 25, Penny-a-Week Bd., 27; Barlow, 21.35; Beech Grove, 0; Beverly, 7.50; Bristol, 38; Carthage, 7; Decatur, 1.25; Gallipolis, 50; Logan, 25, W. Workers, 20; Marietta, 103; Middleport, 14.65, Perseverance Bd., 11.40; Nelsonville, 7; New England, 4.50; N. Matamoras, Mrs. C. D. Curtis, 5; Pomeroy, 16.75, S. S., 14; Tupper's Plains, 6.60; Warren, 5.55, 454.05

BALTIMORE.—Baltimore, Brown Mem., 7; 2d Ch., Alexander Proudfit Bd., 12.50; Lonaconing, Highland Bd., 5, 24.50

BUTLER.—Allegheny, 4.50, Bd., 7.50; Amity, 50; Buffalo, 18, McPherrin Bd., 31; Butler, 35.25; Centreville, 16.15; Clintonville, 11, Y. L. C., 25; Concord, 62.27, Bd., 21.53; Fairview, 13; Grove City, 44.91, Y. L. B., 28.50; Harlansburg, 34, King's Children, 6; Harrisville, 10; Martinsburg, 5; Middiesex, 34.75; Mt. Nebo, 15; Muddy Creek, 40; N. Salem, 19, Y. L. B., 6; North Liberty, 17.30, Bd., 7.75; North Washington, 35; Pleasant Valley, 5; Portersville, 19; Prospect, 10; Scrub Grass, 33; Summit, 15; Sunbury, 21; Unionville, 19; Westm'r, 5.05, 734.46

CHESTER.—Avondale, Harvesters 3.65; Berwyn, 27, Boys' Class, 10; Darby, 1st, Glenolden Bd., 14; Darby Borough, 28.50, Sunbeam Bd., 60; Downingtown, 21.22, Agnes Bd., 4.50, S. S., 25; E. Whiteland, 12; Fagg's Manor, 71; Fairview, 15; Forks of Brandywine, 62.10; Great Valley, 14.05, S. S., 27.37; Honeybrook, Pansy Bd., 7.50; Kennett Square, 15; Lincoln, Willing Helpers, 20; Marple, 18.50, S. S., 25; Oxford, 1st, 95; Phœnixville, 14.25; Toughkenamon, 15; Upper Octorara, 100, Excelsior Bd., 10, Marshall, 10, Willing Workers, 10, Octorara Bd., 10; Wayne, In His Name Bd., 15 32; W. Chester, 50, Y. L. B., 50; West Grove, 31.35, 907.31

CINCINNATI.—Avondale, 59.75; Bethel, 8.86, Willing Workers, 1.25; Cincinnati, 1st, 55, Lights for Darkness, 51, Miss Irvin's Bd., 3.65; 2d Ch., 168.25, Mary Skinner Bd., 150; 3d Ch., 80, Layyale Circle, 20, S. S., 10; 5th Ch., 30; 6th Ch., 13.25, King's Daughters, 25; 7th Ch., 30; Bethany, 25; Central, 212.60, S. S., 40; Clifton, 52; Cumminsville, 50, Y. L. B., 70; Mt. Auburn, 245.79, King's Daughters, 126.30, S. S., 83.75; Poplar St., Shining Lights, 40; Sabbath-Day Aux., 80; Walnut Hills, 96 98, Humphrey Bd., 50, Peacemakers, 14, Fullerton Bd., 20, Gospel Heralds, 27, Bethany Chapel, cl. 36, 6.25, Boys' Bd., 4.50; Westminster, 40; Cleves and Berea, 40.85, Birthday Bd., 24; College Hill, 81.50, Y. L. B., 50, S. S., 30; Delhi, 15, Birthday Bd., 20, S. S., 20, W. Workers, 4.05; Glendale, 20.15, Headlights, 40, Earnest Workers, 40; Harrison, 14.50; Lebanon, 60; Loveland, 22.25; Madisonville, 2.50; Mason, 6.50; Montgomery, 23.55; Morrow, 25.37, Gleaners, 15; Pleasant Ridge, 31; Reading and Lockland, 8; Somerset, S. S., 4; Springdale, 21; Westwood, 20.30, Boys' Bd., 10; Wyoming, 50.05, Willing Workers, 5; Young Ladies Branch, 12.90, 2,707.65

CLARION.—Academia, 10; Beechwoods, 31.50; Brockwayville, Bd., 22.73; Brookville, 115, Y. P. B., 115; Callensburg, 10; Clarion, Y. L. B., 40; Edenburg, 17; Emlenton, 35; Greenville, 30, Y. P. B., 50, Band, 1.15; Leatherwood, 15; N. Bethlehem, 42 85, Y. L. B., 8.82, Band, 25, S. S., 13.90; N. Rehoboth, Y. L. B., 30; Oil City, 2d, 18.50, S. S., 9.33, Inf. Cl., 11, Gleaners, 18.43, Pansy Bd., 15.44; Punxutawney, 6; Reynoldsville, 20, Bd., 3.75; Rockland, 7, Y. P. B, 5; Troy, 6.60; Wilcox, Rays of Light, 3.34, Circle, 4.48, 742.42

CLEVELAND.—Akron, 12.50; Ashtabula, 31.24, Bd., 1.86; Cleveland, 1st, 205, S. S., 125, Girls' Soc., 100, W. Workers, 40, Sarah Fitch Bd., 30; Beckwith, 31.70, S. S., 8.26; Case Ave., 166 27, Y. P. S., 25, Golden Rule, 10; Euclid Ave., 180, Social Soc., 50, S. S., 50; North Ch., 15.25, Forget-Me-Not Bd., 50, Youthful Helpers, 25; Wilson Ave, 4.90, Laughlin Bd., 15; Woodland Ave., 390.13, Sarah Adams Bd. (Y. L.), 100, Children, 20, Busbnell Boys, 60; East Cleveland, 38, Ainanoub Circle, 33 50, Birthday Bd., 10; Milton, 13.35; Northfield, 11, Caldwell Bd., 14; North Springfield, 5.25, Bd., 5; Orwell, 29; Parma, 9, Gleaners, 3.75; Rome, 10.13; Seville, 16.50; Willoughby, 38, 1,983.59

COLUMBUS.—Blendon, 26 45, H. Bushnell Bd., 5; Central College, 25; Circleville, 64.23, Y. L. B., 17; Columbus, 1st, 65, Jesus' Little Ones, 4; 2d Ch., 98.75, Y. L. B., 15, H. Moore Bd., 28, Primary S. S., 14; Broad St., 106.92, Mrs. Little's Bd., 30, King's Builders, 5; 5th Ave., 57.45, Y. L. B., 25, St. Andrew Bd., 21, Children of the King, 20; Westminster, 95.40, Y. L. B., 86.25, W. Workers, 28, Allen Bd., 12.52; Groveport, 6; Lancaster, 46.40, Y. L. B., 33.25, Boys' Bd., 12.63, S. S., 12.49; Lithopolis, 14; London, 36.50, Finley Bd., 12.50, Mrs. Finley, 15, Golden Rule Bd., 10.36; Lower Liberty, 27, Buds of Promise, 2.50; Mifflin, 22.42; Mt. Sterling, 58.26; Rush Creek, 23, Alice Jackson Bd., 23.60; Scioto, 5.50, Earnest Workers, 19.75; Misc., 52.32, 1,303 90

DAYTON.—Bath, S. S., 5; Blue Ball, 16.50; Camden, 7.50; Clifton, 20, Y. L. B., 70; Dayton, 1st, 21.50, Geo. Coan Bd., 25, Henry Martyn Bd., 9; Dayton, 3d St., 300, Y. L. B., 188; Dayton, 4th, 20.33; Dayton, Mem., 35, Y. L. B., 60, Golden Rule Bd., 4.64; Dayton Park, 53, Y. P. S., 113.40, Young Gleaners, 56.10; Eaton, 7.15; Franklin, 34.38; Fletcher, 2.50; Greenville, 58, Girls' Bd., 11; Hamilton, 102.15, S. S., 32.47; Middletown, 28.50, Willing Workers, 7.50; New Carlisle, 39.50; New Jersey, 33.33; Oxford, Howard Bd., 60; Oxford, Fem. College, 75; Piqua, 16.40, S. S., 33.25; Seven Mile, 27.43; Springfield, 1st, 110, Y. L. B., 75, Willing Workers, 45, Jesus' Lambs, 40, Boys' Bd., 4, S. S., 40; Springfield, 2d, 92.50, Northside Chapel, 5; Troy, "2d Soc.," 18.75; Xenia, 93, Y. P. S., 22.06, S. S., 13.23, 2,132.07

ELIZABETH.—Basking Ridge, 43, Bd., 80; Bethlehem, 52.49; Clinton, 21.37, Boys' Bd., 15; Connecticut Farms, 30; Cranford, 25; Elizabeth, Ass'n, 792.54, 1st Ch., M. Morrison Bd., 105, King's Children, 20, A Family, 60; 2d Ch., Bd., 100; 3d, Bd., 65, Youthful Pilots, 30; Westm'r, Bd., 300; Madison Ave., Y. L. B., 40, Marshall St., Cheerful Givers, 100; Lamington, Blauvelt Bd., 38; Metuchen, 30, Gleaners, 5, I. H. N. Bd., 11, S. S., 12.20; Perth Amboy, 21.25; Plainfield, Ass'n, 175.78, 1st Ch. S. S., 60, Band, 240, Sunshine Bd., 74 30; Crescent Ave., S. S., 50, Earnest Workers, 25; Pluckamin, 56, Crescent Bd., 34.33; Rahway, 1st, 48, Sharon Bd., 50, Memorial Bd., 25; Rahway, 2d, 62, Harvest Bd., 40; Roselle, 34.77, S. S., 50; Springfield, 66.25, Band, 40; Westfield, 15; Woodbridge, 50, Lilies of the Field, 30, 3,223 28

ERIE.—Belle Valley, 20.82; Bradford, 101.37, Workers, 7; Cambridge, 21.97, Two Ladies, 12.50, Y. L. S., 11.74, Bartlett Bd., 5.82; Conneautville, 18.49, Y. L. S., 14.55; Cochranton, 20, Y. L. S., 5; Cooperstown, 25, Dolly Bd., 2; Corry, 24.25; Edinboro' 31.28; Erie, 1st, 79.54, Boys' Bd., 25; Erie, Central, 273.54, M. T. Minor Bd., 194; Erie, Chestnut St., 11.15, Y. L. S., 18.43, Bd., 5.82; Erie Park, 164.90, Y. L. S., 51.50, Coral Workers, 50, H. Laurance Sanford Mem'l, 90; Fairview, 20; Franklin, 253.70, Mrs. Eaton, 20, Y. L. S., 62.62,

Lily Bd., 65, Pearls for the Master, 3, Olive Branch Bd., 10, Jewels, 14.33, Boys' Bd., 3.12, S. S., 71.90; Garland, 13.58; Georgetown, 5.98; Girard, 27.59; Gravel Run, 14.55; Greenville, 126, Y. L. S., 46.80, E. Critchlow Bd, 14; Hadley, 23.28; Harbor Creek, 10; Harmonsburg, 16.49; Jamestown, 13.58, Fleming Bd., 22.54; Kerr's Hill, 26.78; Meadville, 1st., 11.64, Y. L. S., 25; Meadville, 2d, 78.13, Y. L. S., 26; Mercer, 1st, 35.45, Ch. Workers, 24.25, Boys' Bd., 3.63; Mercer, 2d, 88.56, Y. L. S., 25, S. S., 38.50; Milledgeville, 3.07; Mt. Pleasant, 17.31, Y. L. S., 2.37, Apple Blossoms, 19.05; New Lebanon, 4.85; North East, 214.36, Willing Workers, 36.86; Oil City, 1st, 224.60, Y. L. S., 54.85; Pleasantville, 18.50, S. S., 7, Little Workers, 6; Sandy Lake, 35.95, Water Lily Bd., 8.50; Springfield, 37.07, S. Cross Bd., 15; Stoneboro' 53.64, Rosebud Bd., 15.47; Titusville, 780.67, Alexander Bd., 25; Tidioute, 100, Helping Hands, 24.25; Union City, 15.78; Utica, 16.49, Cherry Blossoms, 4.64; Venango, 5.82; Warren, 283.12, Mizpah Bd., 2, Y. L. S., 107, Evergreen Bd., 11; Waterford, 33; Wattsburg, 7.85, S. S., 3.73: Misc., 22.69, 4,715.31

Huntingdon.—Alexandria, John Porter Bd., 50; Altoona, 1st, Boys' Bd., 8; Bedford, 15; Lewistown, 10; L. Spruce Creek, 1; Petersburg Bd., 1.78; Shade Gap, 11.07; Spruce Creek, 27.05; Tyrone, 26.12; Pres. Soc., 45.60, 196.52

Jersey City.—Englewood, 500, Wilder Mem. Bd., 75, Lookout Club, 15, Earnest Workers, 50, Day by Day Club, 15; Hoboken, 1st, 75, Wood Violets, 40; Jersey City, 1st, 75; 2d Ch., 70; Bergen, 1st, 123.23, Steady Gleaners, 1st, 52.71, 2d, 5; Scotch, 35; Claremont, 31; Westminster, 22; Passaic, 1st, 91.50, Pansies, 50; Paterson, 1st, 43.79, Band, 6.21, Y. L. B., 25; Paterson, 2d, 125; Paterson, Redeemer, 150; Rutherford, 72.60, Heart and Hand Bd., 65; Tenafly, 42.50; W. Hoboken, Workers, 137; W. Milford, W. Workers, 30, 2,072.54

Kittanning.—Boiling Spring, 22; Cherry Tree, 6; Clarksburg, 20; Clinton, 8; Concord, 15; Elder's Ridge, 6.50, Donaldson Bd., 15 41; Elderton, 30; Gilgal, 6.75; Glade Run, 23; Harmony, 41.50; Homer City, 19; Kittanning, 200, Legacy, Mrs. H. H. Calhoun, 950; Marion, 12; Parker City, 20.70; Saltsburg, 40; Slate Lick, 45; Srader's Grove, 32; Washington, 29.75; W. Lebanon, 8; Worthington, 26.50, 1,577.11

Lackawanna.—Ashley, 23.50; Athens, 17.75, Willing Workers, 10; Canton, 15; Carbondale, 55.25, Mite Gatherers, 33.10, Pansy Bd., 37; Dunmore, Try and Trust Bd., 50; E. Canton, 5.50; Franklin, 18.75; Great Bend, 30; Harmony, 30; Hawley, 13, Daisies, 2; Honesdale, 49.75, Mizpah Bd., 12.50, Young Men's Bd., 13; Kingston, 33.85, Torch Bearers, 25; Langcliffe, 37.50, Moosic S. S., 40.81, Livingstone Bd., 33; Little Meadows, 9; Monroeton, 166; Montrose, 100.70, Bright Jewels, 10; New Milford, 7; Nicholson, 5.30; Orwell, 7; Pittston, 1st, 89.14, Park Bd., 80.48; Plymouth, 42.15; Scranton, 1st, 103.75, S. S. 125, Seek and Save Bd., 40.86; Scranton, 2d, 307.96, Boys' Bd., 50; Green Ridge Ave., 75.50, M. Campbell Bd., 30; Washburn St., 42.19, Kefr Shima Bd., 16.40, Gleaners, 37.60; Shickshinny, 27.21, S.S., 19.28; Stevensville, 20, Little Helpers, 2, Youth's Bd., 5; Susquehanna, 26, Y. P. B., 13.58, Mite Gatherers, 10.42; Towanda, 50, Overton Bd., 15, Stewart Bd., 7.50; Troy, 20, Birthday Bd., 17.33; Tunkhannock, 35.81; West Pittston, 45.95, Y. P. B., 39, W. Workers, 20.75, Livingstone Bd., 5; Wilkesbarre, 1st, 100, Y. L. B., 20, Mrs. Loop's Bd., 15, Lizzie Day Bd., 11; Covenant, 2; Memorial, 105, Whosoever Will, 100, Mem. Circle, 48.94, Inf. Cl., 1.12; Wyalusing, 1st, 7; 2d, 33; Wyoming, 35, Bd., 16.74, S. S., 15. 2,671.92

Lehigh.—Allentown, 39, Loring Circle, 15.25, Helpers, 34.50, Boys', 28; Ashland, 15.75; Audenried, 18; Bangor, 13.32, Coral Builders, 11.75; Bethlehem, 32, Musgrave Bd., 55, A. D. Moore Bd., 3, Wide Awake, 2.50; Catasauqua, 1st, 48.33; Bridge St., 51.50; East Stroudsburg, 3.50, Rill Bd., 1.50; Easton, 1st, 109, Y. L. B., 55, Loring Bd., 10, W. Workers, 5; Brainerd, 181.08, Y. L. B., 45, Isabella Nassau Bd., 71.50, David Brainerd Bd., 67; Easton, 2d, 50; Hazleton, 90.37, Daisy Bd., 5; Hokendauqua, 5, Ch. Workers, 4; Lock Ridge, 5; Mahanoy City, 21.25, Golden Hour, 13.10; Middle Smithfield, 24.41; Mauch Chunk, 161.60, Little Workers, 40, Ferrier Bd., 5, S. S., 60; Mountain ch., 6.40; Pottsville, 1st, 52.60; Pottsville, 2d, 40.05; Port Carbon, 17; Reading, 1st, 67.50; S. Easton, 11.50, Loring Bd., 12, Star, 6; Stroudsburg, 23; Summit Hill, 15, Y. P. B., 3, J. White Bd., 5; Shawnee, 25, Sunrise Bd., 10; Tamaqua, 6.85, Mayflower Bd., 9.40; Upper Lehigh, 80; Pres. Soc., 12. 1,803.51

Mahoning.—Alliance, 1st, 15.37; Brookfield, 9; Canton, 69; Canfield, 18; Champion, 9.20; Clarkson, 21.50; Ellsworth, 29.25; Hubbard, 10; Massillon, 30.50; Middle Sandy, 12; Mineral Ridge, 10; N. Lisbon, 64.28, Y. L. B., 20.48, Gleaners, 30.60; Niles, 12.45; North Benton, 17.50, Y. L. B., 7.50; North Jackson, 28.36; Poland, 24.24, Gleaners, 4.46; Salem, 31.50, Amaranth Bd., 21.50; Vienna, 4; Warren, 56.31, S. S., 42.50, King's Daughters, 15, Gleaners, 10.35; Youngstown, 53.25, S. S., 45.20, Y. L. B., 10.50, Gleaners, 29.06. 762.86

Marion.—Ashley, 9; Berlin, 7.35; Brown, 12; Cardington, 6; Chesterville, 16.35; Delaware, 129.95, Y. P. S., 30, Gleaners, 54; Iberia, 17.30; Jerome, 5; Liberty, 22.71, Gleaners, 7.80; Marion, 154.37, Y. P. S., 24.20, Landes Bd., 36; Marysville, 60, King's Messengers, 2.30; Milford Centre, 20.63, M. C. McDowell Bd., 3.41; Mt. Gilead, 15.25, Y. P. S., 6.25; Ostrander, 17; Pisgah, 11; Trenton, 28; West Berlin, 13, Youthful Warriors, 17; York, 4. 730.42

Monmouth.—Allentown, 100; Asbury Park, 11; Barnegat, 23.60, Foster Bd., 3.42; Beverley, 151.70, Mrs. Conn, 20, Grace Bd., 47; Bordentown, 58; Burlington, 100.10, V. R. Hodge Bd., 68.40, Busy Bees, 37; Cranbury, 1st, 50, Little Workers, 37; Cranbury, 2d, 146, Bible cl., 6.80, Inf. cl., 5.50, S. S., 25, Fruit Gleaners, 97.15, W. Helpers, 71; Cream Ridge, 11.50; Delanco, 3; Englishtown, 4.05; Freehold, 169.65, Mrs. Parker's cl., 36, S. S. 105.53; Hightstown, 43, Amaranth Bd., 35; Jamesburg, 121, S. S., 60; Lakewood, 32.81, S. S., 30.39; Manasquan, 33.31; Mattawan, 68, Glenwood Bd., 40, W. Workers, 10, D. Holbrook Bd., 12; Mt. Holly, 55, Holly Br., 20; Oceanic Bd., 27; Plattsburg, S. S., 7.80; Plumstead, 16; Point Pleasant, 3.80; Shrewsbury, 66.50, Eatontown Bd., 13.58; Tennent, 33.46, Bd., 47. 2,164.75

Morris and Orange.—Chatham, 50, Bd., 10, S. S., 25; E. Orange, 175, Y. L. B., 150; Hanover, 75; Madison, 139.04, Y. L. B., 112.36, Busy Bees, 44.15; Mendham, 30.75, S. S., 15; New Providence, 47.50, Busy Bees, 6.50, Grant Bd., 7, S. S., 100; Orange, 1st, 100; Orange, 2d, 120, Y. L. B., 25, Heart and Hand Bd., 25; Parsippany, 46; Rockaway, 44.35; Schooley's Mountain, 22, Light Bearers, 12.64, Handful, 5, S. S., 10.36; S. Orange, 57.25; Summit, 85, Y. L. B., 54.50. 1,594.40

[The balance of receipts for April will appear in the July No. of Woman's Work.]

Total for April, 1889,	$61,636.80
Total for year,	$143,488.74

Mrs. Julia M. Fishburn, *Treas.*,
May 1, 1889. 1334 Chestnut St., Philadelphia.

Receipts of the Woman's Presbyterian Board of Missions of the Northwest, to April 20, 1889.

Aberdeen.—Aberdeen, 25, Uniontown, 5, 30

Alton.—Alton, 20.68; Greenville, 9.25; Litchfield, 15.70; Reno, 13.10; Walnut Grove, 16 (less Presbyterial expenses, 2.24), 72.49

Bellefontaine.—Bellefontaine, 11; Belle Center, 35.43, Miss Irene Newman, 25, Anon., 2, Y. L. B., 5.50; Bucyrus, 115.40; Crestline, 30.17; Galion, 30.19; Huntsville, 3.50; Tiro, Sandusky Ch., 5; Urbana, Mission Branch, 4; West Liberty, Y. L. B., 15.75, 282.94

Bloomington.—Bement, 11, Sunbeams, 19.04, Y. P. Circle, 5.41; Buckley, 10.70; Bloomington, 1st, 91.02, Y. W. M. S., 9.50; 2d, 486.17, Y. P. S., 77.80, Helpful Hands, 26.55, Cheerful Workers, 5.10, Lamps of Love, 5; Champaign, 90.65, Infant Class, 12.44; Chenoa, 43, Y. L. M. S., 21; Clinton, 115; Clarence, 20; Danville, 124.26, Willing Workers, 10; El Paso, 16.26, Merry Workers, Farmer City, 3.50; Gibson City, 33.15; Gilman, 39.25; Homer, 9.07, Golden Rule Band, 15 cts.; Heyworth, 12.15; Hoopeston, 26.90, Mr. and Mrs. Lukens and S. S. Cl., 2.50; Lexington, 41, S. S., 8.80, Band, 7; Minonk, Mite Soc., 9.87, S. S., 20; Monticello, 20; Normal, 48.65; Onarga, 100.10, Y. P. F. M. S., 27.75; Piper City, 84.20, Band, 39.22; Pontiac, 35; Tolono, 24.62; Towanda, 12; Urbana, 15.17; Wenona, 10; Presbyterial offering made at Bement Meeting, 36.30, 1,866.25

Boulder.—Boulder, Y. L. S., 15.00

Cairo.—Cairo, 4.50; Carmi, Band, 5.60; Centralia, Y. L. S., 10.90, Morning Stars, 3; Du Quoin, The King's Helpers, 6.30; Enfield, 5.20, S. S., 5; McLeansboro, 5.22; Murphysboro, 8.35; Olney, S. S. B., 4.92; Pasturefield, Union Presbyterian Ch., 5.70, S. S., 1.87; Salem, 15; Shawneetown, 19.25, 100.81

Cedar Rapids.—Blairstown, 6.80, Y. L. B., 3.15; Cedar Rapids, 1st, Pr. off., 88.43; 2d, The King's Children, 4; Marion, 78; Mt. Vernon, 50; Linn Grove Ch., Aurora Borealis Band, 16; Vinton, 111.15, S. S., 10.18; Wyoming, 24.91, S. S., 7.10, 399.72

Central Dakota.—Artesian City, 6.25; Blunt, 2.75, Golden Rule Band, 13; Flandreau, 5.05; Huron, 80 cts., S. S., 10, Cheerful Doers Band, 2.65; East Pierre, 15; Madison, 8; Miller, 5; Rose Hill, 3, 71.50

Chicago.—Chicago, 1st, 36.75, Y. L. S., 200, S. S., 75, Th. off., 3.60; 2d, 66.52, S. S. Bd., 40; 3d, Y. L. S., 380; 4th, 58, Mothers' Mite S., 5; 5th, 13.25; 6th, 136.05, S. S., 80; Campbell P'k Ch., Mrs. W., 50 cts.; Belden Ave. Ch., Missionary Gleaners, 10; Ch. of the Covenant, 98.66; Fullerton Ave. Ch., 6; Forty-first St. Ch., S. S., 29.85; Jefferson P'k Ch., 65; Englewood, addl. Pr. off., 3; Evanston, 150; Homewood, 11; Hyde Park, Girls' Band, 6.25; Joliet, 1st, 44.16, Y. P. S., 13.22, S. S., 3; Central Ch., 134.73, S. S., 13.88, Dean, Y. P. S., 2.76; Lake Ch., 23.70; Lake Forest, 25.28, Y. P. S., 16.50, Ferry Hall Society, 93.50, Steady Streams, 9.47; Lake View Ch., 50; Peotone, 207.04, S. S., 6.76; Waukegan, 53.15; Wilmington, 18.60; Woodlawn Park, S. S., 30; Bethany Ch., Mrs. S., 5; Mrs. L., Birthday off., 1; Income from real estate, 366.81, 2,592.99

CHIPPEWA.—Ashland, 10, Baldwin, C. M. S., 4.92; Hudson, 26.66, 41.58

CRAWFORDSVILLE.—Crawfordsville, Center Ch., 20; Lafayette, 1st, 25, S. S., 5; 2d, 20, Y. P. S. C. E., 12.65; Presbyterial off., 42, 124.65

COUNCIL BLUFFS.—Afton, 12 25, S. S., 5; Atlantic, 4; Bedford, 3.50; Carson Band, 9; Clarinda, 25, Willing Workers, 1.25; Corning, W. W. A., 12.50; Council Bluffs, 12; Emerson, 4.50; Essex, 3.50, S. S., 4.90; Griswold, 4.50; Guthrie Center, S. S., 5; Hamburg, 4.50; Logan, 2; Malvern, 12.50, S. S., 8.36; Menlo, 13.50; Mt. Ayr, 4, True Blue Boys' Band, 2; Neola, 1.30; Randolph, 5, Willing Workers, 5; Red Oak, 17.95; Shenandoah, 14.65; Sidney, 5; Walnut, 2.60; Woodbine, 16, 221.26

DENVER.—Brighton, 8; Denver, Central Ch., 265.40, Y. L. B., 78.60; Capitol Ave. Ch., 131.15, Busy Bees, 9; Highland Ch., 11; Twenty-third Ave. Ch., 23, Helping Hands, 65; Westminster Ch., 22.50; Golden, 10, Earnest Workers, 10; Idaho Springs, 20, 653.65

DES MOINES.—Adel, 14; Albia, 6.50; Chariton, 5, Band, 4.90; Colfax, 14; Dallas Center, 5.22, Band, 2.48; Des Moines, Central Ch., 42.88, S. S. M. S., 39.03; Westminster Ch., 18.75, S. S. M. S., 5; Dexter, 24.70, Boys' Brigade, 97 cts.; East Des Moines, 10.63, S. S., 16.26; Garden Grove, 8.68; Grimes, 4.07; Indianola, 6.25; Knoxville, 20; Laurel, 4.85; Leon, 10; Newton, 29.55; Osceola, 19.80; Oskaloosa, 12.50; Russell, 5; South Des Moines, 6.74, Band, 3.88; Unionville, 5.82; Winterset, 34.50, 381.96

DETROIT.—Ann Arbor, 75.37, S. S., 21.63; Brighton, 10; Detroit, 1st, Golden Chain Band, 25; Fort St. Ch., 522, Rhea Band, 120; Memorial Ch., 18.79; Trumbull Ave. Ch., Y. P. C. E. S., 21.73; Westminster Ch., Ladies' Union, 82, Y. L. M. S., 20; Howell, 100.02, Y. L. M. S., 79, Band, 2.35; Marine City, 3.24, S. S., 2.76; Milford, Bacon Bd., 18.78; Mt. Clemens, Band, 10; Pontiac, 68.82, Cheerful Workers, 8.64; Saline, 10.15, Willing Workers, 10; Stony Creek, 40.58, Myra Campbell Memorial, 10, S. S., 4.31; Ypsilanti, 21.37, Y. P. M., 120, India Workers, 20. Little Gleaners, 30, 1,476.54

DUBUQUE.—Dubuque, 2d, 60; Hopkinton, 20.15, Steady Streams, 1.07; Independence, 30.05; German Ch., 15, S. S., 8.57; Lansing, 25; Oelwein, 5; Pine Creek Ch., 10; West Union, 14.25, Willing Workers, 1.50; Mt. Hope, 70 cts., 191.29

DULUTH.—Duluth, 1st, 54.28, Mrs. W. C. Sherwood, 35; 2d, 13.50, 102.78

FARGO.—Fargo, 10.50, King's Children, 40; Lisbon, 6, 56.50

FORT DODGE.—Alta, 3.25; Ashton, 3 54, Willing Workers, 3.36; Calliope, 5.10; Carroll, 7.01; Cherokee, 30.48; Dana, 9.50; Estherville, 12.55, Pansy Bd., 5.25; Ft. Dodge, 76.74, Infant Class, 5.15; Ida Grove, 15 45; Jefferson, 20.62; Lake City, 15; Le Mars, 27.64; Lohrville, 11.59; Meriden, 1; Manilla, 93 cts.; Paton, 2.58; Paullina, 6; Rockwell, 3; Sanborn, 2.47, Merry Workers, 21 cts.; Sioux City, 1st, 80; 2d, 20.60; Swan Lake, 2.25; Vail, 20, Busy Bees, 2 (less 9.33 included, in error, among Dec. receipts, and 11.81 Presb. ex.), 372.13

FORT WAYNE.—Huntington, 2.10; Warsaw, 28.50, 30.69

FREEPORT.—Belvidere, 23.69; Freeport, 1st, 150; 2d, 25; Galena, 1st, 19.50, Busy Bees, 5; South Ch., 42.50; Hanover, 9; Harvard, 24.90; Lena, 17.63; Linn and Hebron, 24; Marengo, 23, Y. L. S., 11.40; Oregon, 25.25; Ridgefield, 10; Willing Workers, 10; Rockford, 1st, 56, Westminster Ch., 110.38, Mrs. M. L. Curtis, 100, Y. L. S., 20, Earnest Workers, 5.54; Warren, 12; Winnebago, 63; Woodstock, 8.50; Cedarville, Hopeful Gleaners, 17, 822.29

GRAND RAPIDS.—Cadillac, 36; Evart, 10, S. S., 10; Grand Haven, 60; Grand Rapids, 1st, 30, Girls' Bd., 5; Westminster Ch., 69.75, Girls' Bd., 10; Harbor Springs, 3.96; Ionia, 27; Ludington, 15; Montague, 11.06; Mackinaw City, 14.25, Girls' Bd., 3.90; Muir, S. S., 2.25; Petoskey, 10; Traverse City, Forest Workers, 10, 328.17

HASTINGS.—Hastings, 20, Band, 2.50, Y. L. S., 8.25; Minden, 11.30, 42.05

HURON.—Bloomville, 7.91; Clyde, 9; Elmore, 5.25; Fostoria, 51.22; Fremont, 62; Huron, 38.75; Melmore, 12; Monroeville, 20; Norwalk, 40, S. S., 25; Olena, 18; Peru, 4.25; Sandusky, 37.25, Y. L. B., 5.15; Tiffin, 23.55, Mrs. Green, 10, Mrs. Sprague, 5, S. S., 30, Little Gleaners, 15, 419.33

INDIANAPOLIS.—Bloomington, 38, Gretta Holliday Bd., 5.50, Mission Stars, 4.35, S. S., 10.80; Columbus, 32, Shining Lights, 10; Danville, 11.25; Edinburg, Mission Bee, 10; Greenwood, S. S., 23.82; Hopewell, 39.85, S. S., 10.09; Indianapolis, 1st, 228, S. S., 135.80; 2d, Mr. Wm. S. Hubbard, 125, "In Memory of Mary M. Hubbard," 125, Y. L. S., 43; 4th, 76.30, Pickett Society, 60; 5th, 5.65, Pearl Seekers, 3; 6th, 9; 7th, Mustard Seeds, 32; Memorial Ch., 34.13, 1,072.54

IOWA.—Bloomfield, 6.22; Burlington, 117.96, S. S., 08.28; Fairfield, The Gleaners, 25; Fort Madison, 50; Keokuk, 40, Willing Workers, 14.34; Libertyville, 6.55; Morning Sun, 5; Mt. Pleasant, Band, 5; Middletown, Band, 6.25, 374.60

IOWA CITY.—Crawfordsville, 5.01; Iowa City, S. S. B., 5.20; Keota, 8; Montezuma, 1.50; Tipton, Tamura Bd., 25.07, King's Daughters, 3.50; Washington, 2.10; What Cheer, 15.06; Wilton, 42; Sigourney, 7, 114.53

KALAMAZOO.—Allegan, 32.53, King's Daughters, 10; Buchanan, 9.75; Cassopolis, 15, Busy Bees, 11.39; Decatur, 6.18; Holland Ch., 6; Martin, 4.63; Niles, 73.71; Richland, 13.05; Sturgis, 15; Schoolcraft, 13.90; Three Rivers, Band, "Always Ready," 10; White Pigeon, 5.20, 226.34

KEARNEY.—Central City, 6.50; Fullerton, 20; Grand Island, 2; Kearney, 45, Altior Bd., 2; North Loup, 4.75; St. Edwards, 2.50; St. Paul, 4.10, 86.85

LA CROSSE.—La Crosse, 33.85; West Salem, 5.35, 39.20

LAKE SUPERIOR.—Ford River, 7; Iron Mountain, 8; Menominee, 40; Sault Ste., Marie, 6.66, 61.66

LANSING.—Holt, 5; Homer, 11.93; N. Lansing, Franklin St. Ch., 12; Mason, Cheerful Givers, 9.73; Oneida, 10, 48.66

LIMA.—Ada, 60; Columbus Grove, 10; Delphos, 28.30, Pansy Bd., 22.72; Hardin, 5, Layah Bd., 3; Findlay, 78.04; Lima, King's Daughters, 9.40, S. S., 50, Infant Class, 11; McComb, 27.75, Willing Workers, 8.50; Sidney, 75; Shane's Crossing, 5; Van Wert, 25, Band, 19.83, 438.54

MADISON.—Cambria, 5; Janesville, 29, Y. L. S., 25; Kilbourn, 23; Lodi, 21.55, Busy Bees, 3.45; Poynette, 10.50, 117.50

MANKATO.—Blue Farth City, 16, S. S., 9; Pilot Grove Branch, 25; Jackson, 10.80, Birthday Bd., 25; Kasota, 7.50; Le Sueur, 26; Lu Verne, 19.21; Mankato, 125; Madelia, 8; Red Wood Falls, Y. P. S., 3.80; St. Peter, 12.50, Y. L. S., 7; Tracy, 5.50, Lights, 13; Winnebago City, 25.32; Worthington, 27.20, 365.83

MATTOON.—Charleston, 6.50, S. S., 4.09; Dalton City, 7 20; Effingham, 10; Kansas, 21.85; Morrisonville, Mrs. Acken, 2, Y. L. B., 10.50; Neoga, Bright Jewels, 1; Pana, Willing Workers, 10; Taylorville, 5.10; Vandalia, 37.75, 115.99

MAUMEE.—Defiance, Y. P. S. C. E., 34.41; Grand Rapids, 66 cts.; Hicksville, 5.94; Kunkle, 4.95; Lost Creek Ch., 14.36; Maumee, 4.95; Perrysburg, Band, 12.11; Toledo, 1st, Livingstone Bd., 24.75; Westminster Ch., 74 cts.; Busy Bees, 35, Y. L. S., 40; 3d, 20.30, King's Gardeners, 8.22, Willing Workers, 4.01; Weston, Pleasant Ridge, 29.45; West Unity, 14.01 253 86

MONTANA.—Butte, 3; Corvallis, Busy Gleaners, 3; Miles City, 32, 38.00

MILWAUKEE.—Manitowoc, 7, Mrs. Sedgwick's S. S. Cl., 1.50, Mrs. Hubbard's S. S. Cl., 6.05; Milwaukee, Immanuel Ch., S. S., 36.13, Immanuel Bd., 2.10; Waukesha, 3.50, 56.28

MONROE.—Adrian, 100, Y. L. S., 20, Willing Workers, 4.40, S. S., 36.31; California, 5; Coldwater, 13.50, Y. L. S., 10; Erie, 7, Band, 5; Hillsdale, 50, Girls' Bd., 10; Jonesville, 11.20, Y. L. S., 4; Monroe, 6, S. S., 12.16, King's Daughters, 10; Quincy, 26, Interest on Legacy left by Miss Mary E. Sutton, 10; Raisin, 8; Reading, 2; Tecumseh, 41.86, Wide Awake Bd., 5, S. S., 50, 447.43

MUNCIE.—Anderson, 15; Jonesboro, 5; Kokomo, 11.25; Lagro, 6.25; Marion, Boys' Bd., 1; Muncie, 64.75; New Hope, 1; Noblesville, 20; Peru, 37.45; Tipton, 15; Union City, 10; Wabash, 11, Cheerful Givers, 5, 202.70

NEBRASKA CITY.—Adams, 3.15; Alexandria, 3; Auburn, 3; Beatrice, 68.50; Bennett, 8.08; Fairbury, 11; Falls City, 6.60; Hebron, 12.97; Humboldt, 10, Band, 2.44; Lincoln, 95, S. S., 42, Y. L. S., 100, Happy Helpers, 37.78, Boys' Band, 5; Nebraska City, 11.45; Palmyra, Workers' Mission Circle, 26; Pawnee City, 10.60; Plattsmouth, 27.15; Seward, 8.25; Sterling, 1; Table Rock, 4.55; Tamora, 5.45; Tecumseh, 9.20; York, 14.15; Presbyterial Contingent Fund, donated, 2.67 (less 43.50 included in error among Oct. receipts), 485.40

NEW ALBANY.—Bedford, 7.25; Charlestown, 19.95; Corydon, 9.30; Hanover, 37.50; Jefferson, 22; Livonia, 3.63; Madison, 1st, 25, Y. L. B., 18.75; 2d, 15.15, Mary Campbell Bd., 10; Mt. Vernon, 5; Mitchell, 5.33, Mrs. M. Z. Moore's S. S. Cl., 1.13; New Albany, 52.02, 1st, S. S., 50; 2d, S. S., 50; 3d, 41.45, Earnest Workers, 3.85, Miss Ewing's Cl., 20, S. S., 50; Mr. W. S. Culbertson, 500; New Philadelphia, 4.60; New Washington, 11; North Vernon, 5; Solon, Owen Creek Ch., 12; Pleasant, 5; Salem, 17.50; Seymour, 14, Mrs. Charlton, Th. off., 2.60; Vernon, 22.35, Annie Fink Bd., 5; Vevay, 2.25, 1,048.61

NIOBRARA.—Emerson, 5; Madison, 5; Pender, 2.15; Ponca, 5; Wayne, 11, 28.15

OMAHA.—Bancroft, 4.50; Bellevue, 12; Blair, 3.20, Y. P. S. C. E., 2, Nassau Bd., 15; Columbus, 5; Craig, 4.50, Creston, 8; Fremont, 27; Knox, 2.50; Lyons, 10.90; Marietta Ch., 15.75; Omaha, 1st, 60, Y. L. S., 52.35, Missionary Helpers, 28, S. S. Birthday Box, 19.61; 2d, Y. P. S. C. E., 2.50, Band, Little Harvesters, 3.90, S. S., 12.25, Friends of Miss Rose Eddy, 25; Southwest Ch., 6; Castellar St. Ch., 5; Westminster Ch., 37.05, Golden Rule Bd., 3.69; Schuyler, 5.85, Y. P. S. C. E., 60; Waterloo, 8.10, 439.65

OTTAWA.—Aux Sable, 17.15; Earlville, 2; Granville, 10; Morris, 33; Oswego, 10; Paw Paw, 25; Rochelle, Willing Workers, 23.90; Sandwich, 57.40, Mr. and Mrs. Hillman, 50; Streator, 30.84, Willing Workers, 3.43; Waltham, 7.15, Band, 4, 273.87

PEMBINA—Arvilla, 10, Rose Buds, 22; Bathgate, 42, Charlotte Ouisconsin Bd., 25, Northern Light Bearers, 15; Devil's Lake, Mrs. Margaret Walker, 5; Neche, Willing Workers, 3; Emerado, Mekinock Ch., 20; Tyner, 14; Hyde Park, 30; Minnewaukon, Pioneer Bd., 12.50, 198.50

PEORIA.—Altona, 5.50; Astoria, 10.85; Cramer, Brunswick

Ch., 8; Canton, 36.10, Band, 40; Deer Creek, 9; Delavan, 20 90, Band, 25; Elmira, 21.10, Temple Builders, 9.70; Elmwood, 14.10, S. S. B., 2.30; Eureka, 32, Y. P. B., 13.75; Farmington, 29.35, Light Bearers, 8.88; French Grove, 20, Joyful Reapers, 2.75; Galesburg, 12, Pearl Seekers, 40; Green Valley 16.25; Ipava, 38.50, Gleaners, 15; John Knox Ch., 3.50; Knoxville, 100, Whatsoever Bd., 20; Lewistown, 51.36, Band, 2.09; Limestone, 6; Low Point, 11.61; Oneida, 28, Circle, 25, Band, 5; Peoria, 1st, 224.30, E. R. Edwards Bd., 19.55, Little Lights, 8.70; Westminster Mission, 6; 2d, 72.15, S. S. Light Bearers, 11.61, Mrs. J. L. Griswold, 100; Calvary Ch., 21.18, Rays of Light, 10; Grace Ch., 43.95, Band, 1.50; Princeville, 3; Prospect Ch., Dunlap, 54.75; Salem, 10; Vermont, 6; Washington 9.60, S. S. B., 20.82; Yates City, 11.13, 1,317.83

Pueblo.—Cañon City, 8, Band, 15; Colorado Springs, 63, Y. L. S., 40.38, Mary Rich Circle, 11.88; Del Norte, Mrs. L. E. Wilson, 10; Durango, 14; Monument, S. S., 3; La Junta, 5; La Luz, 5; Pueblo, 1st, 8, Y. P. C. E. S., 2.25; S. Pueblo, Mesa Ch., 66, 251.51

Red River.—Angus, 5; Crookston, 2.15, 7.15

Rock River.—Albany, 6.50, Willing Workers, 1; Alexis, Band, 1; Fulton, 12; Geneseo, 21.45, Boys' M. Brigade, 15.71, Girls' Fragment Bd., 23.12, Band, 11.68, Y. L. S., 11.61; Morrison, 12.50, Little Helpers, 10, Gideon's Bd., 10; Princeton, Band, 25; Munson, 8.02; Norwood Ch., 21.50; Rock Island, Broadway Ch., 79.45, Ruth's Bd., 11.80, Willing Workers, 25.29, S. S., 31.66; Central Ch., 17, Band, 7; Woodhull, 12.75, 376.04

Saginaw.—Bad Axe, Helping Hands, 6.05; Bay City, 3.35; Alma, 22.05, Mite Box Coll., 5; Midland, 9.50, Marlette, 6.50, 52.45

St. Paul.—Hastings, Sowers of Good Seed, 8, Volunteer Bd., 25, Boys' Volunteer M. Brigade, 6.50; Minneapolis, Bethlehem Ch., 24.31; Stewart Memorial Ch., Y. L. S., 6; Shiloh Ch., E. B. Caldwell Bd., 42; Westminster Ch., 345.96, Boys' Brigade, 25, King's Daughters, 45; Red Wing, 24.50; Stillwater, 75; St. Croix Falls, 20; St. Paul, Central Ch., 79.19, Boys' Bd., 23.85, Y. L. S., 166.25, Little Flock Bd., 10; East Ch., 10; North St. Paul Ch., 2; White Bear, 9.50, Boys' Brigade, 6.25, Girls' Come and Go Bd., 5, 959.31

Schuyler.—Appanoose, 11.75, Willing Workers, 10; Augusta, 15.50; Bardolph, 15; Bushnell, 6.85; Camp Creek, 6; Camp Point, 13.25; Carthage, 11.70, Dew Drops, 12; Cbili, 2; Clayton, 8; Doddsville, S. S., 3; Ebenezer Ch., 5; Fountain Green, 15; Macomb, 24.96, Earnest Workers, 3.19; Monmouth, 17.50, Y. L. S., 37.15, Little Leaven Bd., 21.45; Mt. Sterling, 20.82; Perry, 40.85; Prairie City, 1; Quincy, 29; Rushville, 50, The King's Messengers. 13, 393.97

Southern Dakota.—Dell Rapids, Mrs. Dr. I. N. Lucus, 21.40; Kimball, 5; Montrose, 5.35; Parker, 3.85; Sioux Falls, 7.74; Scotland, 12, Helping Hand Bd., 12, 67.34

Springfield.—Bates, 64.78; Cbatham, 3; Decatur, 221.15; Irisb Grove Ch., 4; Jacksonville, State St. Ch., 104.70; Central Ch., 25; Westminster Ch., 91 50; 1st Portuguese Ch., Earnest Workers, 13; Lincoln, 11.85, S. S., 10; Macon, 7; Maroa, 4.90; Mason City, 46.56; N. Sangamon Ch., 48.43; Pisgah Ch., 15.90; Petersburg, 10, S. S. B., 47.63; Springfield 1st, 165, Y. L. B., 167.77, S. S., 67.57, Busy Bees, 38.23; 2d, 75, Memorial Bd., 5.68, Y. L. S., 41.32; Unity Ch., 8.70; Virginia, 54.75 (less 25, reported in error, among Aug. receipts), 1,328 42

Vincennes.—Bethany Ch., S. S., 255; Brazil, 18.50; Carlisle, 75 cts.; Evansville, Grace Ch., 11.55, Busy Bees, 30; Oakland City, 9; Washington, 15, Willing Workers, 20; Worthington, 5, 112.35

Waterloo.—Ackley, 10; Dysart, 6.40, S. S., 4; Grundy Center, 21.50, King's Daughter's, 10, Crusaders, 4; Janesville, 5; La Porte, 6.86; Marshalltown, 15.41, King's Daughters, 2.53, Y. P. S. C. E., 3, Junior Y. P. S. C. E., 1; Morrison, 9; Nevada, 11.28; State Center, Y. L. S. C. E., 7; Salem, 10.43; Waterloo, 10.20; Washburn, 4, 141.61

Whitewater.—Connersville, 43.04, S. S. 20; Greensburg, 111.30, S. S., 63, Y. P. S., 23.12; Harmony Ch., 5; Kingston, 58.70, Little Helpers, 5.80; Knigbtstown, 10, Y. L. S., 11.50; Liberty, 10; Richmond, 47.28; Rushville, 44.65; Sardinia, 5, Mrs. J. S. Harper, 3.50; Shelbyville, 20.15, S. S., 9.63, Golden Rule Bd., 7.81, 499.48

Winnebago.—Appleton, 30; Auburndale, 5; Fond du Lac, 28, Benita Bd., 45; Fort Howard, 5, S. S., 6; Merrill, 10; Oshkosh, 25; Oxford, 2.44; Stevens Point, 48.70, Band, 8, 213.14

Winona.—Claremont, Mrs. McMartin, 50 cts.; Lake City, 5; Owatonna, 21.20, Nan Intah Bd., 14, Mrs. Edmunds, 2; Preston, 1, Curran Bd., 2; Rochester, 25, Downing Bd., 1.06, Y. P. S. C. E., 18.84, Y. P. M. S., 8.43; Washington, 5.50, 104.53

Miscellaneous.—Anon., 10; Hebron, Col., A Friend, 25; Adrain, Ill., Rutb Pettijobn, 2.50; Mrs. Wm. G., 5, Easter off., 15; by sale of a Brief Record, 60 cts.; M. M., 27 cts. 58.37

Total for Month,	$23,114.76
Previously acknowledged,	$56,962.05
Total from April 20, 1888, to April 20, 1889,	$80,076.81

Mrs. C. B. Farwell, *Treas.*,
Chicago, April 20, 1889. Room 48, McCormick Block.

Receipts for Foreign Fund of the Woman's Presbyterian Board of Missions of the Southwest, from February 20, 1889.

Austin.—Austin, 1st, 26.85; Brownwood, 1st, 4.50: Georgetown, 2; San Antonio, Mad. Sq. Ch., 33.30, 66.65

Cherokee Nation.—Ft. Gibson, Whatsoever Soc., 5.00

Emporia.—Belle Plaine, 9.50, Stars of Bethlehem, 4.70; Benton, 1.75; Burlington, 1.50, S. S., 6; Caldwell, 8.90, Earnest Workers, 2.30; Cottonwood Falls, 2.50; Council Grove, Y. P., 3.10, Stars of Bethlehem, 1.58, Wide Awakes, 5; Derby, 1.50; El Dorado, 8.80; Emporia, 17.25, Arundel Soc., 7.50; Marion, 37.50; Newton, 22, Y. P. S. C. E., 25, S. S., 10, Morning Stars, 12.21; Quenemo, 6; Peabody, 16; Potwin, 3; Waverly, 12.40, Y. P., 2.76; Wellington, 40; White City, 3.50, Golden Rule Bd., 5; Wichita, 8.76, 286.10

Highland.—Atchison, 1st, Y. L., 10; Blue Rapids, 5.25; Effingham, Busy Gleaners, 5; Hiawatha, Happy Helpers, 2; Highland, 32.44, Willing Workers, 10; Holton, 23; Maryville, 11; Nortonville, 3.46; Troy, 5, 107.15

Kansas City.—Brownington, 5; Butler, 16.40; Clinton, Boys' Miss. League, 12.50; Holden, 5.75, Independence, 1st, 88.50; Kan. City, 1st, 31.69, Y. P., 52, Little Harvesters, 10; Kan. City, 2d, 253.58, S. S., 25, Primary S. S., 30, Miss Lowell's Class, 50; Kan City, 3d. 4.15, Boys' Band, 1; Kan. City, 5th, 10.89, Y. L., 2.69, S. S. Birthday off., 4.84; Raymore, 14, Y. P. Circle, 5.50, Children's Bd., 2.08; Rosier, Sharon Ch., 5.50, Helping Hands, 1.50; Sedalia, Broadway Ch., 25; Tipton, 5; Warrensburg, Willing Workers, 10; Westfield, 8, Mission Bd, 8.50. 689.07

Larned.—Burrton, 7.55, Earnest Workers, 135; Hutchinson, 20, Y. L., 25; Larned, 3.82; Lyons, 12.50; McPherson, 7, S. S., 2.43; Spearville, 75; Sterling, 10; Mrs. C. A. Kingery, 1.50, 91.90

Neosho.—Chanute, 3.60, S. S., 1.78; Chetopa, Willing Hands, 2.85; Columbus, 75; Garnett, 4; Girard, 15.21; Humboldt, 37.17; Independence, 30; Iola, 18.69; Moran, 9.60, King's Bd., 1.50; Neosho Falls Bd., 2.30; Oswego, Thompson Bd., 7.50; Ottawa, 4.70, S. S., 14.76; Parsons, 8.60; Pittsburg, 3; Mrs. McClurg, 10, 176.01

N. Texas.—Denison, 1st Ch., 9.00

Osborne.—Norton, Y. L., 3; Wakeeney, 18,80, 21.80

Ozark.—Ash Grove, 7.10, Wide Awakes, 10.15; Carthage, 15, Y. L., 20; Hamilton Bd., 20; Joplin, 15; Ozark Prairie, 3.50; Shiloh, 5; Springfield, Calvary Ch., 86.50; Miss Hartwell's Meeting, 18.69, 200.94

Palmyra.—Hannibal, 50; Louisiana, 2; New Cambria, Busy Bees, 1; Kirksville, 2; A. C. Good and Edna Cole Bd., 15, 70.00

Platte.—Cameron, 10; Hamilton, 7.30; King City, 3.65; Maryville, 14; Parkville, 32.03; N. St. Joseph, 6.20; St. Joseph, Westminster, 9.25, 82.43

St. Louis.—De Soto, 10.72; Drake, Emmanuel, 10; Ferguson, 8.90; Ironton, 15.20; Kirkwood, Y. L., 16; Rock Hill, 19.76, Willing Hands, 5.35; St. Louis, 1st, Coral Workers, 20, S. S., 30; 2d Ch., Wall Builders, 125; 1st Ger. Ch., 15; Lafayette Park, 114.05, Earnest Workers, 20.65; Lee Ave. S. S., 10.14; Mem. Tab., 7, Rays of Light, 7.50; North Ch., 30.70; Wash. and Compton Ave., 100, Armour Bearers, 30; Carondelet, 4.50, Y. L., 22.50; Mrs. J. W. Allen, 5, Unknown, 1.50, Mrs. S. A. Miller, 10, Mrs. S. Knight's S. S. Class, 15; Lindenwood, Coll., 10.50; Webster Groves, 27.25, Cheerful Workers, 7, Mission Club, 11, 711.14

Solomon.—Abilene, 17.67, W. W., 6.75; Belleville, 14, S. S., 4; Clyde, 7.90; Concordia, 2.72; Ellsworth, 4.50; Lincoln, 6; Mankato, 4.45; Salina, 10.46; Solomon, 5; Wilson, 9, 92.45

Topeka.—Baldwin, Y. P., 5.90; Black Jack, 5; Clay Center, 6.40; Edgerton, 3.75; Kan. City, 11.50; Lawrence, 39; Leavenworth, 1st, 51.50, For. Miss. Lights, 1; Cheerful Workers, 3.20; Y. L., 10; Perry, 7; Topeka, 1st, 75.05, Lend-a-Hand, 28; N. Topeka, 5; Mrs. W., Birthday off., 39 cts., 252.69

Trinity.—Baird, 2; Dallas, 2d, 3.80, Children's Band, 2.46; Teachers in Mary Allen Sem., 2.35, 10.61

Miscellaneous.—Pleasant Hill (Southern Ass.), 2.50; Miss. W.'s Mite-box, 45 cts.; Mr. and Mrs. Denton, of Cuba, 30; Ft. Smith Ch. (South. Ass.), 16.65, 49.60

Total from Feb. 20, to April 20,	$2,922.54
Credited to For. Fund from Discretionary Fund,	$213.77
Previously reported,	$3,515.15
Total for For. Fund since April 1st, 1888,	$6,651.46

Mrs. Daniel Kuhn, *Treas.*,
April 20, 1889. 1608 Chouteau Ave., St. Louis.

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